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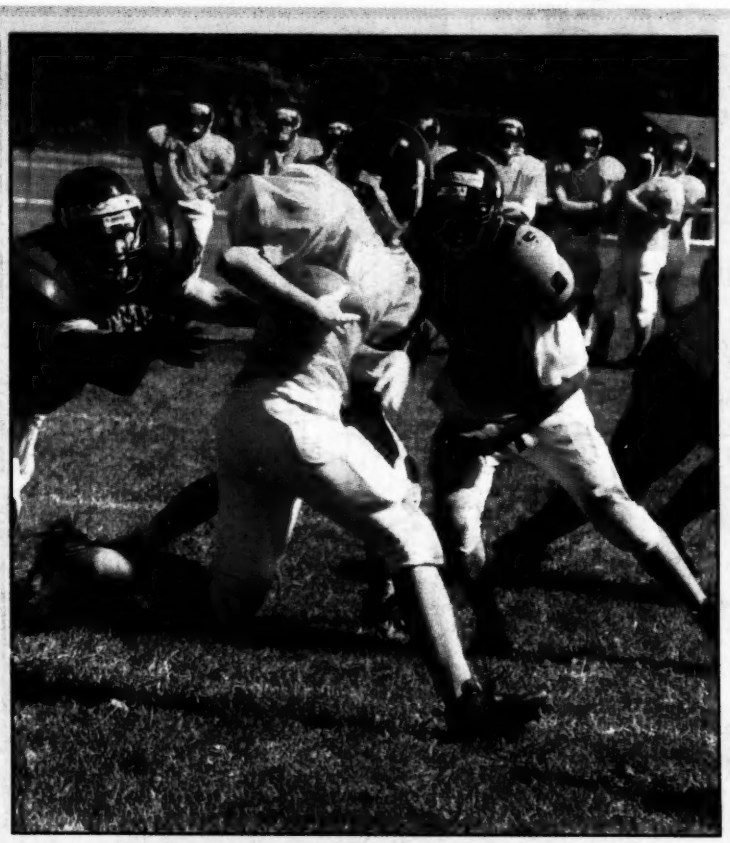


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Fall clashes — Another sign of the opening of school is the sight of Andover High varsity football players Andy Gallagher and Matt Beechinon (in blue shirts), both seniors, tracking a nimble freshmen hopeful. Practice for all the sports teams began last week (*See page 33*), while classes begin next Tuesday.

As Andover schools open

No teacher shortage, yet

By Rebecca Lipchitz

While school districts across the state scramble to fill teaching positions by opening day, Andover is mulling over which qualified candidates to choose.

In other words, the teacher shortage across the state has not yet hit Andover. But it soon will, predicts Superintendent of Schools Dr. Claudia Bach.

While every school district has to deal with last-minute resignations almost annually, Andover is well-stocked with teachers this year, she says.

Bach believes Andover doesn't suffer from the current teachers shortage like other towns for several reasons, including the fact that they got a jump start on hiring this year.

While advertising to fill vacancies created by teachers who plan to retire often starts in March or April, Andover began seeking applications in January, she says.

Larry Robinson on sick leave.
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But the pool of more than 1,600 applicants for Andover's 51 open positions, is small compared to other years, she says.

Three or four years ago, the School Department was receiving more than 4,000 applications a year, she says.

"We're an attractive district. People want to be here, but we

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Larsen pushes charter review

By Neil Fater

Andover's government underwent massive changes during the late 1950s, when the town created its charter. Now, Selectman Larry Larsen says it's time to do a sweeping review of the entire town charter for the first time.

"Possibly no single issue has caused as much furor as when I proposed this," says Larsen.

No wonder. In the 1950s, when the town established the charter Larsen wants to review, it marked the end of an era.

By 1958, Andover residents at Town Meeting had voted to install a strong town manager for the first time, turn 24 previously elected positions into appointed posts and to bar selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee members from holding other offices.

One year later, in 1959, all incumbent selectmen were voted out of office.

Larsen says he wants a charter commission to review the charter in large part because of frequent complaints from residents about recent Town Meetings. Some residents say they didn't get a chance to speak on certain issues, while others think there are too many articles to discuss, or that the town has grown too big for an open Town Meeting.

Possible solutions being bantered about include creating two annual Town Meetings, replacing open Town Meeting with a representative one or tinkering with the current Town Meeting format.

Larsen says he supports the current, open Town Meeting, in which any registered voter can vote and speak on any article. But he says selectmen should give the voters a chance to decide what they prefer.

"I feel that, as selectmen, it's our obligation to respond to the body politic. Our charter has had no review since 1959," says Larsen. "I feel we should be opening ourselves and opening the process to a study."

Larsen says selectmen and other public officials should not conduct the study, but instead should make it "as much an outsiders' effort as possible." He says the board of selectmen "has already made up its mind."

"Those you'd expect to be pro-Town Meeting are pro-Town Meeting," says

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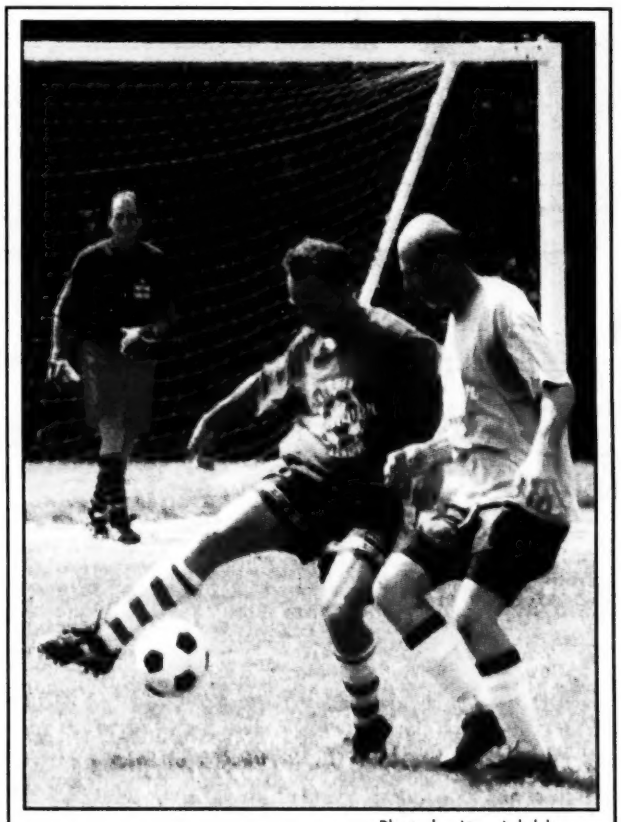


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Footwork — Garry Morissette (green) and Peter Mullett (grey) battle for the ball as goal keeper Jimmy Duff looks on in the Andover adult summer soccer tournament action Saturday. *Story, page 18.*

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Eyes on the prizes — The McKain siblings (clockwise from lower left) Emelie, Katie, Joe, Jennie and Abby show off a table full of trophies and ribbons that they and their goats, chickens and ducks have won. Soon, they'll be headed for "The Big E," the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

Their prized pet projects

The McKain sisters of Andover have found a use for their goats other than milk and cheese.

They enter them in competitions, and they're good at it, too.

Jennie, 13, Abby, 15, and Katie, 17 of 2 Hitchcock Farm Road, have been entering contests around New England for the last four years to show off their prize goats, chickens and even ducks.

The competitions really fill up the girls' schedules as well. Having just returned from a competition in Westford at the end of August, they are preparing for the larger Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, from Sept. 17 to Oct. 3.

Westford is still on theirs minds, however, as all three sisters came home winners.

"One of my goats, Genoa, won best of show," says Katie, who adds that her family owns about 15 goats.

The girls regularly enter their goats in competitions including fitting classes, which involve cleaning and grooming the animals; showmanship classes, which involve knowing facts about the animal and displaying it for judges; and breed classes, a competition between specific breeds of animals.

Jennie was very successful at Westford, especially with her goats.

"I entered three goats (in Westford)," says Jennie. "Clover, Flora, who won first place in fitting, and Bud, who won best wethered."

Abby was successful as well, as her goat, Merry, took best yearling (one year old) dry goat and came in

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News In Brief

Marland foreclosure is postponed

A foreclosure auction scheduled this past Tuesday, Aug. 31, for Marland Place ("Marland Place tenants reassured," *Townsman*, Aug. 26), has been indefinitely postponed, according to a spokesman for the owners.

Ted Doyle, of the Needham-based Newton Group, said he could not give any details, but that there was a tentative agreement with the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) to restructure a $12.6-million mortgage that a Newton subsidiary, the Marland Place Associates Limited Partnership, defaulted on earlier this year.

A spokesman for the MHFA, Jordan St. John, had said a week earlier that the agency would try to work out a settlement. "We always prefer to work with the owners," he said.

Doyle said there was no specific date set for signing an agreement, "but we're hopeful that it will be soon."

Marland Place is a 129-unit assisted living complex at 15 Stevens St. It is one of five assisted living facilities in the Boston area owned by The Newton Group.

Forum on senior center set Sept. 10

The Andover Council on Aging will hold an informational forum to update the community on the status of the lease negotiations and other issues regarding the new senior center on Friday, Sept. 10, at 9 a.m.

A complimentary continental breakfast will be served. The public is invited. Those who would like to attend are asked to call the Senior Center at 623-8321.

Labor Day means early ad deadlines, many closings

On Monday, Sept. 6, the *Townsman* office will be closed in observance of Labor Day. The news and ad deadlines for next week's edition are early. School news is due today, Thursday. All other news is due tomorrow, Friday, by 5 p.m.

Display ads are due Friday at noon.

The deadline for classified ads remains the same: Tuesday at noon. If you have questions, call 475-7000.

Also closed on Labor Day: banks, schools, town offices, the Senior Center, Memorial Hall Library and many stores.

CVS is always open.

Trash will not be picked up Monday. Pickup will be delayed by a day all week.

Quote, unquote . . .

"The Town of Andover has the largest open form of democratic self-government in the world. I find it hard to believe that the rank and file who attend Town Meeting would want to give that up."

Town Moderator Jim Doherty, on the possibility of going to a representative Town Meeting.

"Kids don't come home and play outside any more."

Rabbi Karen Landy, the new assistant rabbi at Temple Emanuel, on one of the reasons for youth programs at the temple.

At 6:36 p.m., a Wild Rose Drive woman reported hearing what she thought were gun shots. An officer reported it was a father who had made "a potato launcher."

From the Andover police log.

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School Building Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Andover Contributory Retirement Board, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 2 p.m.

Board of Appeals, second floor, Memorial Hall Library, regular hearings, 6 p.m.; first-floor conference room, Town Offices, deliberations, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, September 7

Conservation Commission, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

Council on Aging, Senior Center 8 a.m.

Thursday, September 9

Ballardvale/Lowell Junction Road Area Traffic Task Force, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 8

Senior Center Building Committee, Senior Center, 7 p.m.

Strategic Planning Task Force, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Monday, September 13

Board of Selectmen, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 14

Planning Board, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 15

Board of Registrars, Town Clerk's office, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

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third for showmanship.

Jennie also entered a chicken in the competition, which won for best American bird.

Looming on the horizon is 10-year-old Emily, who does not compete regularly yet, but whose duck, Bob, won best duck of show at Westford.

Despite the fact that all of the McKain girls compete in the same shows regularly, there is no sense of competition between the three, according to the sisters.

"There isn't really any (competition)," says Abby. "Except maybe between me and Katie, because we are both (in the seniors category). But it's nothing big. We don't get upset about it, it's more like we congratulate each other."

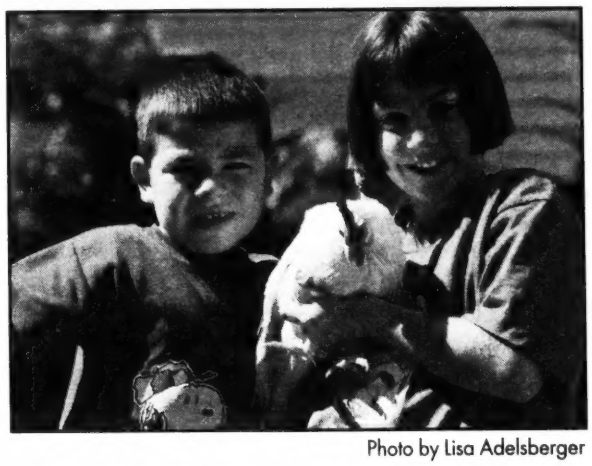


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The bird is the word — Joe, 7, and Emelie McKain, 10, show off prize rooster "Justin."

Showpeople and their animals are divided up into categories, according to who has more experience. Abby is in her first year as a senior.

The younger Jennie echoes her sister's sentiment.

"It's fun to win ribbons and medals, but we don't brag about it. This last time (at Westford) we all got one (medal), so it was good," she says.

The 78th edition of the Eastern States Exposition, or The Big E, will include 500 youngsters from New England exhibiting more than 1,000 animals for ribbons, awards and cash prizes.

Highlights of the festivities will include musical performances by Monica, Deana Carter, and Trisha Yearwood. There will also be a 60-foot-by-20-foot replica of the White House.

— Joe Vieira



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Was Winston Smith here? Probably not. More likely, it was just a motorist who doesn't like the guilt trips prompted by the police's Smart Unit, the unmanned radar trailer that tells drivers how fast they are going.

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Teves still seeking minutes on AHS suit

By Neil Fater

Exactly 14 months ago, Andover settled the lawsuits surrounding the Andover High School construction project, ending a lengthy and contentious legal struggle. At least, that's what town counsel Tom Urbelis said back in July 1998.

But today, selectmen are still refusing to release notes from certain secret meetings about the school project, saying the problems may not be over.

"We are holding some because there is a threat of a lawsuit," says Chairman John Hess.

As has been previously reported in the *Townsman*, the threat is coming from architect Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates.

After an out-of-court settlement was reached, the town reported the architect had paid it money as part of the settlement, but that no money had exchanged hands between the contractor and the town.

However, it also became public that the architect had to pay a financial settlement to the contractor.

This second bit of information gave the impression that the architect was responsible for the numerous problems that put the project years behind schedule and millions of dollars over budget.

Because of this, selectmen indicate they fear the architectural firm might sue them, claiming this release of information damaged its business.

However, Mohawk Road resident Dennis Teves maintains the town should release the notes from these secret sessions, and has pushed the town to do so for months. Teves asked for the release the minutes again at the last selectmen's meeting, Aug. 23.

"There is still a legal action pending," said Hess to Teves. "(There's a possibility) that we could, at any time, be back in court, so we cannot release those minutes."

"So, in other words, we could go for 10, 15, 20 years without knowing what happened with this project?" asked Teves, rhetorically.

Teves noted the town is refusing to let the residents know about a previous school building project, while seeking millions for new schools.

Transcripts coming

Besides withholding the notes from some secret sessions about the Andover High project, selectmen also have not yet supplied transcripts of their most recent meetings.

Residents at this year's Town Meeting voted to have the town provide transcripts of every regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says the town has been taping meetings and sending the tapes to a certified court stenographer since the new fiscal year started July 1. The transcripts will cost $3.50 per page.

But, as of the selectmen's Aug. 23 meeting, none of the transcripts were available. Hess says the town should either get the stenographer to return the transcripts within three weeks, or hire someone else to type them.

Bond resigns from PictureTel

After only a year and a half at the head of PictureTel, the Andover-based videoconfererencing company, Bruce Bond has resigned as chief executive officer, effective immediately.

Kevin Flanagan, a PictureTel spokesman, was reported saying that Bond's decision to leave was a mutual one with the company's board of directors.

The company's former CEO, Norman Gaut, was named to replace Bond, effective yesterday, Wednesday.

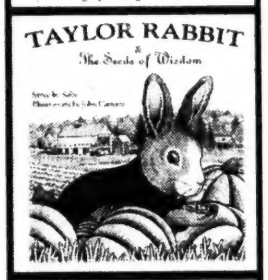
Under Bond, PictureTel launched a smaller version of its videoconferencing system called SwiftSite, and also formed a relationship with Intel Corp., the semiconductor company, to help design an office videoconferencing system for the desktop.

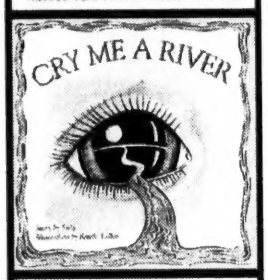
However, the company's financial troubles continued, with losses of $39.4 million in 1997 and $55.7 million in 1998.

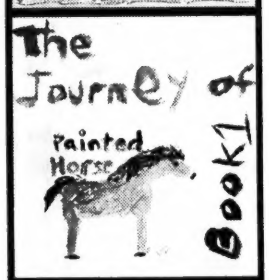
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Group to air flooding concerns over Route 3 project

Andover residents who love their river may want to take another look at the state's effort to widen Route 3.

While Route 3 does not run through Andover, its expansion would mean a change in wetlands in the Concord River and Shawsheen River watersheds, says Jack Brady, an Andover resident and member of the Shawsheen River Watershed Association.

The SRWA is an offshoot of the Merrimack River Watershed Association, Brady says, and is in the process of becoming a non-profit organization.

The group will meet tonight (Thursday, Sept. 2) at 7 p.m. in the Tewksbury Library to discuss the issue and to craft a proposal to send to the state Department of Environmental Protection.

The widening of Route 3 is expected to consume 25 acres of wetlands, which the state has proposed to recreate in other areas.

"A one-for-one swap sounds good up front, but we don't really know how good that is," Brady says.

The state DEP has begun discussions with the MRWC to address potential effects on the wetlands from the project, but Brady is concerned that the wetlands created won't prevent flooding the way the existing wetlands do, "the way that God and mother earth intended."

He praises the government's efforts to make decisions "on a watershed basis," but is concerned that flooding of the Shawsheen River Watershed will increase.

According to a SRWA release, DEP spokesmen have said they plan to work with local environmentalists on the watershed issues related to the project.

Brady, says he doesn't expect his property, on a hill on Cross Street far from the river, to be flooded, but he does enjoy canoeing on the Shawsheen River.

"This (project) cannot help the flooding problem down river," he says.

The meeting is open to the public, Brady says. More information is available at www.shawsheen.org.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

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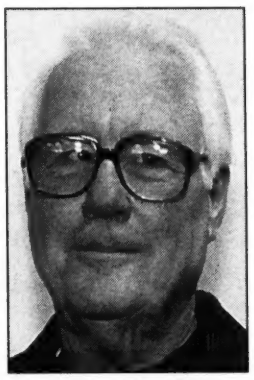
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Selectmen don't want spectators spaced out



Larsen — they have their room, we have ours.

Selectmen think it may be time to tear down the walls separating them from the people who elect them — literally.

Because a few recent meetings have been so crowded that many residents were forced to wait in an outside hallway, selectmen are considering getting a bigger room for their meetings.

One option would be to tear down a wall at Town Offices.

The board is also considering holding some meetings in the School Committee room in the School Administration Building, or at Memorial Hall Library.

"It seems as though we've had plenty of meetings where we could have used more room," says Selectman Lori Becker.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski suggests the school room is the best option, because of parking space limitations at the library. The School Committee room may hold twice as many people as the selectmen's room, he says.

But Selectman Larry Larsen says the School Committee room would be inappropriate for selectmen. He prefers to expand the selectmen's room, or host meetings at the library.

"Memorial Hall Library articulates and is in keeping with the dignity... of the selectmen," says Larsen. "(The School Committee room) is their spot and this is our spot."

— Neil Fater

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Talk about Town Meeting

OK class, summer vacation is over. It's time to settle down, do your homework and start producing some results.

No, we're not talking to the several thousand schoolchildren who return to the halls of learning next week. This message is aimed at their elders — local voters — and concerns the heart of participatory democracy here in Andover — the Town Meeting.

For years now, the town's annual legislative gathering has been becoming increasingly unwieldy. That has caused some voters to become frustrated at the length of time it takes to wallow through more than 100 articles on several spring nights. Some of them have tried to limit the number of speakers on an issue, or to limit the amount of time any one person can speak.

Others are frustrated that at this, the one time of the year when anybody and everybody should be allowed to express their view on legislation before the town, they are cut off by impatient malcontents who want to move things along.

And all of this has produced what a number of citizens bemoan as a decline of civility and a lack of trust in dedicated public servants.

Well, now there is a chance to talk about it, outside of the spotlights and limits of Town Meeting.

Town Moderator James Doherty and the League of Women Voters are discussing how Town Meeting could be improved or modified. The League will be sending a survey to its members on the subject. A copy of the questions is included in this week's *Townsman*.

In addition, Selectman Larry Larsen, who has been talking about a major charter review for some time now, recently made good on his promise to publicly push for it.

While he's meeting some resistance, it's hard to see why. There has never been a major review of the charter since it was created more than 40 years ago. Surely it is past time for a public airing of the town's "constitution."

A review doesn't necessarily mean anything has to change. The town's mode of government is still up to those who live here and pay the bills — the local voters.

But our world has changed in drastic ways since then. Town Meeting, which may have worked well in the '50s, clearly has its dysfunctional moments now. It is well worth at least discussing ways to improve it.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Just checking — Town and school officials did a "walk-through" inspection of Andover High School during the week before classes begin. Getting a look at the gym are, from left, Schools Business Manager Bernard Tuttle, Superintendent Dr. Claudia Bach, School Committee member Tina Girdwood, Head Custodian Charles McNicholl, Purchasing Agent Elaine Shola, Plant and Facilities Director Joseph Piantedosi and Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

Why is anybody puzzled about air rage?



Taylor Armerding

Mmmmpf. Unnnngh. Mmmmggghhh. Hrrrrmmmfff.

Help! Oh, hello there. Finally got my knees out of my mouth. The pilot has finally told us that he has turned off the Fasten Seat Belt sign, and we are now free to move about the cabin. But, of course, if we do remain in our seats, he encourages us to leave our seat belts "comfortably" fastened.

Comfortably? On today's commercial airliners? In the cattle ... uh, I mean in the coach section?

I was on vacation for a couple of weeks recently. Don't worry, I'm not about to tell you how I spent it. The poor teachers in town will have enough of those things to read since that's usually the first writing assignment they give to the kids after school starts.

But I can't help venting a bit about what it was like getting to a few places, because I'm betting that there are at least a few people from Andover who have ridden on commercial jets recently, who have also ridden in the coach section.

I'm also betting that some of you have been reading all of those stories in the major metropolitan newspapers and seeing newsmagazine stories on the television about "air rage" — how so many more people are becoming less civil on a mode of transportation where they used to be so much more genteel.

I'm guessing that there are tens — maybe hundreds — of thousands of dollars being spent on big investigative reports, on studies, on convening focus groups and on psychoanalyzing the reasons for this new syndrome.

And I'm betting that all of us here in Andover could save the airlines a lot of money by suggesting that, for starters, they get out a tape measure.

Because while the major carriers spend vast amounts of time and money promoting low fares, how wonderful it is to be whisked off to exotic places and how friendly and courteous their employees are, they are in major denial about the fundamental, obvious cause of air rage.

Sure, air travel does get us all to far away places much more quickly than any other currently available method. And, based on my recent experience, the employees who deal directly with customers are indeed competent, friendly and helpful.

But institutionally, the airline brass have about as much respect for passengers as they do for veal calves.

It's been suggested more than once that airline CEOs ought to ride a few times in coach. Obviously, they haven't. If they did — or if they were actually required to ride in coach every time they traveled — they wouldn't be convening focus groups to find out why people are losing their sanity, not to mention their civility. Instead they'd be remodeling, returning the dimensions of seats back to what they once were, to a size that would actually accommodate the average human body.

I'm slightly taller than average, at about 6 feet 1 inch, but definitely below average in weight, and I can barely fit in these seats. Before the guy in front of me lowers his seat back from its "full, upright position" as soon as we're off the ground, my knees are already

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Letters

There are better solutions than a fence

Editor, *Townsman*:

The interesting article in the Aug. 19 *Townsman* about the new fence between Chestnut Street businesses and Barnard Street businesses ("Barnard to Chestnut? Can't get there from here") brings up some questions.

Why does Mr. Lally have so much trouble with people walking through, while the owner of the building housing the Earthfood Store and its parking lot appears to encourage shoppers to cut through?

Have the Andover Center Association merchants held any discussions with land owners to share goals and ideas and not be working at cross purposes?

Would Mr. Lally consider donating an easement through to Barnard Street to the town? Or selling a narrow strip to the town for a path?

Andover hired a special planner just to work on the downtown business district. Could he have come up with ideas before the fence went up? So far, he seems more interested in the design of trash barrels and lamp posts than the fundamental workings of a town center.

Certainly there are solutions if appropriate groups get together and put some thinking and effort into the situation.

Margaret Pustell
87 Porter Road

Air rage ...

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touching it. Some of my relatives, who are several inches taller and 20 or 30 pounds heavier, feel like they are being confined for hours in a file cabinet drawer.

Cram several hundred people into little slots like that for several hours, with barely enough room to shift your weight from one side of your butt to the other, and you don't need a study to tell you why they're on the edge of freaking out. Any normal person would be.

The airline execs must think they can pull off what those *Candid Camera* skits do, where people sit down at a table in a restaurant, and over the next 10 minutes or so, the table rises to the point where it is just below their chins. In most cases, the people just try to deal with it, figuring it must be them, and not the table.

The execs must figure that if they shorten the space between seats by an inch or so every couple of years, they'll squeeze in a few more rows of seats, make a few hundred more bucks per flight, and nobody will know the difference.

Memo to you smiling CEOs, who write us little notes at the beginning of your in-flight magazines about what a great team of employees you have: They're not the issue right now. Maybe passengers didn't notice it the first time you cut an inch from seat space, but they do now. From the time they sit down in those claustrophobic spaces, their brains are screaming, "Get me outta here." What more of a recipe for rage do you need?

And that doesn't even take into account the other, less constricting but still maddening ways the airlines disrespect their customers. A couple of weeks ago, trying to get to Des Moines, Iowa through Chicago, an entire series of afternoon flights were summarily canceled, ostensibly because of weather. Perhaps a couple of them were. But savvy travelers smiled with recognition. "If the flights aren't full, they just cancel some of them, and tell you it's the weather," one of them said.

> *If airline CEOs were actually required to ride in coach every time they traveled, they wouldn't be convening focus groups to find out why people are losing their sanity, not to mention their civility. Instead they'd be returning the dimensions of seats back to a size that would actually accommodate the average human body.'*

Then there was the trip on American Airlines from Oregon. We had all trooped onto the plane, squeezed into our little slots, and I was reading a little booklet filled with happy anecdotes about how American employees had provided outstanding customer service. All true stories, I'm sure.

But departure time came and went, and the pilot came on to tell us that one of the tires was a bit low, and while they had hoped that it just needed a little air, he had just been informed that the tire needed to be changed, and that it would take about 40 minutes.

He was polite. The flight attendants were polite. They all apologized. But the fact remains that the company apparently couldn't be bothered to even check the tires on one of their planes before loading it up with customers.

It wasn't a 40-minute delay. It was about an hour and a half. In Chicago there were still more problems. So by the end of the day, we were three and a half hours late.

Low prices are attractive. Smiling, thoughtful ticket agents are some small comfort. But what we passengers really want is a little space — an acknowledgment that we're something more than a file folder.

Talk back to Taylor Armerding at tarmerding@andovertownsman.com

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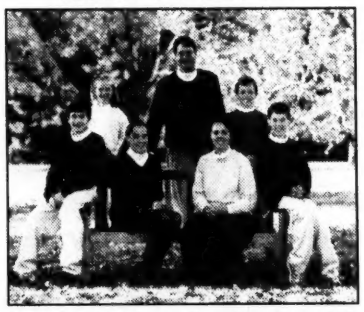
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Charter ...

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Larsen. "There's a strong element (in town) that is saying, 'You need to get more efficient. Perhaps a representative town meeting is in order.'"

If selectmen do not vote to open the charter, Larsen says he will bring a warrant article on charter review to Town Meeting himself.

That may be necessary, since Larsen's fellow selectmen aren't exactly jumping at the chance to support him.

Chairman John Hess expresses reluctance to create another committee that will study Town Meeting, because the League of Woman Voters (LWV) and Town Moderator Jim Doherty are already forming groups to address Town Meeting, he says.

But Larsen says a charter commission would not simply limit its discussion to Town Meeting.

"Everything (about Andover government) ought to be open for review. Everything. Do we appoint or elect Finance Committee members? Do we have a town manager or not?" says Larsen. "It's a completely open review of the charter."

Doherty acknowledges the committee he is forming "is not any earth-shaking thing. It is not a study of whether we should be opening up the charter."

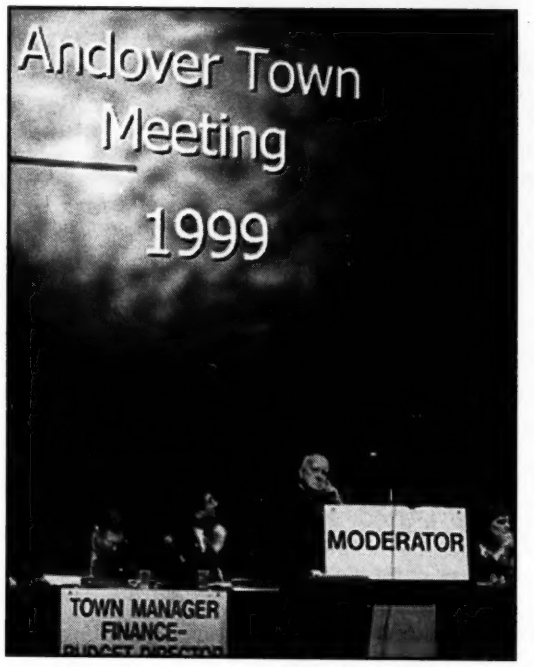
But Doherty says he is not against selectmen creating a group to look at the charter, as long as the group begins the work without preconceived ideas.

His group will take a sharper focus, looking at ways to improve the existing type of meeting.

"I'm putting together a group of people who have had experience with attending many years of Town Meeting. I'm hoping to have a committee of about nine people, (at least one) from each section of town," says Doherty.

"We're going to tinker with the procedure of the existing Town Meeting," he says. "My own feeling is I would like to see what we can come up with and try it out at the next meeting."

LWV member Madhu Sridhar says the League has created a one-page questionnaire (*see sidebar*) to learn what residents think about Town Meeting. The questionnaire will be a part of the group's first bulletin this fall, and also be available at the League's table at the Know Your Town Fair on Sept. 18.



File photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Doherty (center) — rank and file won't give up open Town Meeting.

"Depending on what the results of the survey are, we may want to do a study of Town Meeting," says Sridhar.

But Sridhar indicates the League has not made up its collective mind. She says, "There are no leading questions in the questionnaire. We've tried to eliminate any form of bias."

Although the questionnaire does not make any specific reference to a representative Town Meeting, it does ask: "Are you in favor of maintaining an open town meeting? If not, what form of town government do you prefer?"

If the town does decide to open and then change its charter with a Town Meeting and then special-ballot vote, the change would also need to be approved by the state Legislature, say town officials.

Such a review and change would take several years.

"(I believe) the Town of Andover has the largest open form of democratic self-government in the world," says Doherty. "I find it hard to believe that the rank and file who attend Town Meeting would want to give that up."

LWV wants your view on Town Meeting

At its May 1999 annual meeting, the League of Women Voters voted to re-examine its position on Town Meeting. The League will be sending the following survey to its members.

1. Are you a registered voter in Andover or North Andover?

2. Have you attended a town meeting?

Do you attend town meeting on regular basis?

3. Are you in favor of maintaining an open town meeting?

If not, what form of town government do you prefer?

4. Are you satisfied with one town meeting per year?

Would you consider two town meetings per year: one in the spring to vote on budgetary needs and the second in the fall devoted to bylaw changes, street acceptances, etc.

5. The Board of Selectmen currently determines the order in which the warrant articles are discussed at town meeting. Are you satisfied with this procedure?

If no, can you suggest any alternatives?

6. Do you understand the Moderator's Rules and Procedures for town meeting?

7. Do you think that the Moderator's Rules and Procedures for town meeting are adequately communicated?

If not, will it help if the Moderator's Standard Rules and Procedures for town meeting are included in the Finance Committee Report, the *Andover Townsman* and the Town's Web site?

8. Are you satisfied with the explanation and discussion of the annual budget (town, school, etc.) at town meeting?

9. Are you satisfied with the explanation and discussion at town meeting for small ticketed items?

10. Would you attend informational meetings regarding the "big ticket" items prior to town meeting?

11. Would you favor a restructuring of debate procedures on the articles?

Time limits on presentations and speakers?

Web poll results

Last week's question on the *Townsman's* Web page was, **Do you approve of the traffic changes the Board of Selectmen have approved in the Ballardvale section of town?**

The vote, with 19 readers responding, was a convincing "no." Fourteen readers, or 76 percent, were against it, while five, or 14 percent, were in favor.

This week's question is: **Do you think public school students get too many days off during the year?**

Surf to www.andovertownsman.com and cast your vote.

Tennis tournament set

The Andover Department of Community Services will sponsor its annual Open Tennis Tournament the weekend of Sept. 11-12 at the Andover High courts.

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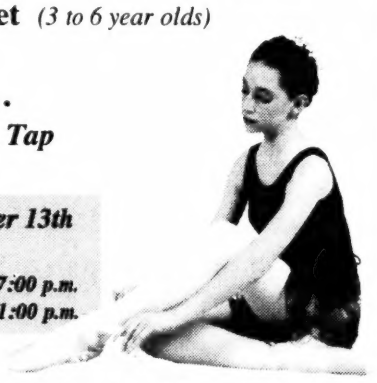
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Education

Committee mulls specifics of new school designs

By Rebecca Lipchitz

School Committee members are mulling over the exact configuration of the two schools proposed for Cross Street, and are expected to vote on education specifications of the schools at their next meeting, Tuesday.

Meanwhile, discussions of the number and type of classrooms and configurations of the buildings are still under discussion at School Building Committee meetings, School Committee meetings, and meetings with architects.

Architects Joel Seeley and Robert Kramer of Symmes, Maini, & McKee presented a report last week to School Committee members outlining the educational specifications recommended by architects, who spent hours interviewing teachers and administrators about what kind of spaces they need.

School Committee chairman Eric Nadworny told the audience at Tuesday's presentation that the goal in designing the buildings should be flexibility, to make allowances for changing programs and growing enrollments once the schools open in 2002.

"There's no such thing as extra space. It's only opportunity. It allows teachers to start programs they never had the space for before," he says.

Square footage and number of classrooms for the two schools will partly be determined by the class size policy now followed by the School Committee.

If the schools were to be built with smaller class sizes in mind, Nadworny says, they would still be built for the same number of students, but would include more rooms.

School Committee member Tina Girdwood, also a member of the School Building Committee, says she wants to hear from architects about how much more additional rooms would cost before approving such a plan, but agrees that the school designs should allow for changes in the system over time.

"You have to plan for 2008 or 2012, and what we decide about these buildings is going to affect all the other buildings," she says.

The architects will be available to discuss the plan with teachers after 1 p.m. in the School Committee room on Thursday, preceding the School Building Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday night.

Architects will also meet with the public at a third community meeting scheduled for Sept. 13 at a location to be announced, says David Harding, schools construction project manager.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Together again — Eighteen years ago these teachers worked together at West Middle School. This year, they are all working in Andover schools. From left to right, science teacher Bill Fleishmann, English teacher Dave Gangi, physical education teachers Dave Amundsen and Karl Lippmann, industrial arts teacher Steve Tisbert, and math teachers John Fawcett and Jay Darrin. They gathered for the annual breakfast to welcome Andover teachers Wednesday morning in the cafeteria at Andover High School.

Andover goes back to school

By Rebecca Lipchitz

System wide, the cost of new books and some related software for all the curriculum changes at the start of the 1999 school year totaled more than $300,000, says Assistant Superintendent Marinel McGrath.

Major curriculum changes include a restructuring of the social studies curriculum for grades 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9, she says.

The new social studies curriculum, based on frameworks outlined by the state, teaches Massachusetts and Andover history to third-graders, and ancient civilizations to fourth-graders, says McGrath.

Sixth-graders will also study ancient civilizations, but in more detail, she says. Seventh- and eighth-graders will have a two-year course in American history, from colonization to 1815, and ninth-graders will study a new world civilization program, she says.

In the middle schools, students have a new grammar and writing program, and the high school has adopted a new literature program for grades 9 and 10, which includes new novels and other materials.

First-grade teachers received a new curriculum guide for math, which includes lessons on geometry, probability and statistics and algebra, McGrath says.

Shawsheen School students have a busy year ahead, including a theme of conservation and trees, according to Principal Theresa Murphy.

The program this year includes activities like harvesting and apple picking, science lessons about woodland animals and evergreen trees, and a play based on the story of The Great Kapok Tree, Murphy says.

The school is prepared for five kindergarten classes, four first-grade and four second-grade classes, and five classes of early childhood students, she says.

"All the teachers are ready to go, even though they're not supposed to be back until tomorrow," Murphy said Tuesday.

Students are expected at school on September 7.

South School's theme this year is "LINKS to Success," says Principal Eileen Woods. LINKS stands for learning, involvement, networking, kindness and support. The theme will be integrated into classroom activities, she says, but also in community activities like their Partners in Education (or PIE) program, which includes meetings with parents and school staff.

"We want people to really know about the school and become involved, and use networking to build the supportive culture we foster here," Woods says.

Bancroft School teachers are celebrating an award of a new Lighthouse Technology grant for $40,000, which charges them with instructing teachers across the state on using mobile word processors (like AlphaSmart) for instruction.

They're also celebrating new windows at eye- rather than knee-level on the second floor, a new ventilation system and new classroom partitions in the form of bookcases, says Principal Norah McCarthy.

West Elementary School is expecting 850 students this fall, says Principal Charlie Friel, and teachers are hoping they'll all get along.

A dozen West Elementary School teachers attended a social competen-

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Breakfast meeting— Bancroft School Principal Norah McCarthy, left, chats with two new teachers, Donna D'Agata (center) who will teach Spanish at Andover High School, and Justine Quimby (right), the new media specialist at Bancroft. All three women once worked in the Lawrence schools.

Back to school

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cy workshop at Wellesley College this summer, courtesy of a CHAT (Community Health Action Team) grant of more than $6,300, Friel says.

The program teaches ways to develop social skills in children and mediation techniques for teachers, he says.

Some **West Middle School** students will have something of a cultural exchange program in Walter Racini's class, according to Principal Vicki Simms.

Six schools in the United States will pair up with six in Canada as pen pals, through Internet-related technology called Smartboards. Some students may have a chance to visit their fellow students in Canada this spring, she says.

Eighth-graders at West Middle School will also be learning about sailing and navigation through a hands-on lessons with a Marblehead sailor, who teaches the math and science of navigation.

Middle school students at West and **Doherty** middle schools will be learning history through the "History Alive" program, in which students do role-playing, dress in character and study museum pieces, says Doherty Middle School Principal Floyd McManus.

Sanborn School Principal Dr. Jade Reitman did not return calls from the *Townsman.*

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On Campus

Four Andover students received bachelor degrees from Providence College on May 16.

Lauren Ofria of 15 Durham Drive was awarded a bachelor's degree in marketing.

Helen Sellers of 40 York St. received a bachelor's degree in history cum laude.

Maura Paone of 11 Sevilla Road was awarded a bachelor's degree in psychology cum laude.



Lauren Ofria



Helen Sellers



Maura Paone



Ellen Fantini

Ellen Fantini of 30 Cutler Road was awarded a bachelor's degree in marketing.

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Jennifer Prudden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Prudden of Andover, has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Colby-Sawyer College in New London, N.H. The child development major is a member of the class of 2000.

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David C. Burke of Andover received a bachelor's degree in May 31 commencement exercises at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine.

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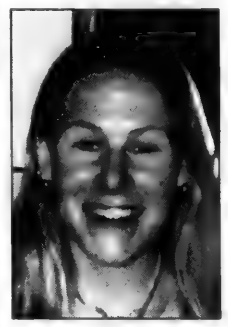
Andover residents **Brian Cutler, Jason Frederick** and **Judit Vajda** received diplomas June 21 after completing a year of service with City Year Boston.

Each graduate completed 1,700 hours of service in Boston schools, community centers, City Year camps and after-school programs. They have taught an HIV/AIDS and domestic violence curriculum, renovated playgrounds and improved senior citizens' homes throughout the past year.

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Amanda Maria Pettoruto, daughter of Lawrence and Marie Pettoruto of 3 Mulberry Circle, graduated with honors from Westfield State College with degrees in elementary and special education. The dean's list student also won a monetary award for first place in the New England Undergraduate Conference Competition in Boston for her presentation and exhibit in "Multiple Intelligences in the Classroom." She currently works at Phillips Academy.

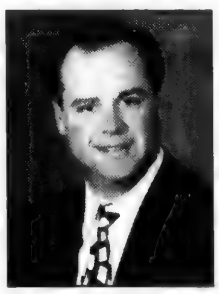


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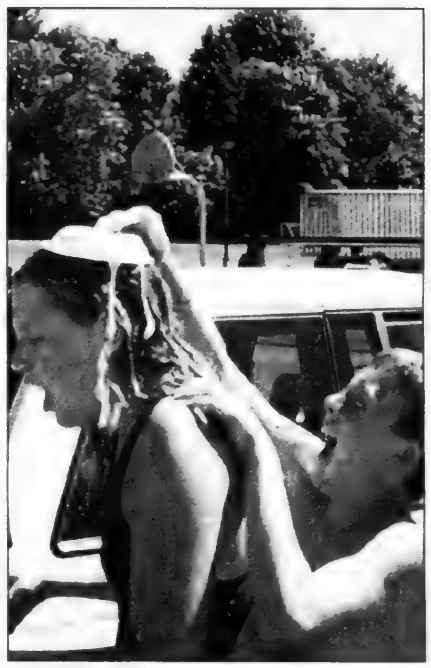
WHAT'S UP: A SWEET SUMMER... 'ON THE BUS'



◀I'll bet you Thoreau never had an underwater camera! — AYS director Bill Fahey and assistant director Glenn Wilson, livin' it up under the surface of Walden Pond.



Jess Leider is buried in the sand by friends (back row) Caitlin Littlefield, Ashley Daley, Heather McKinnan; next row, Maria Lechtarova, Kristin Jackson, Felicia Rumore, Sam Dallal and Lauren Becker. ▶





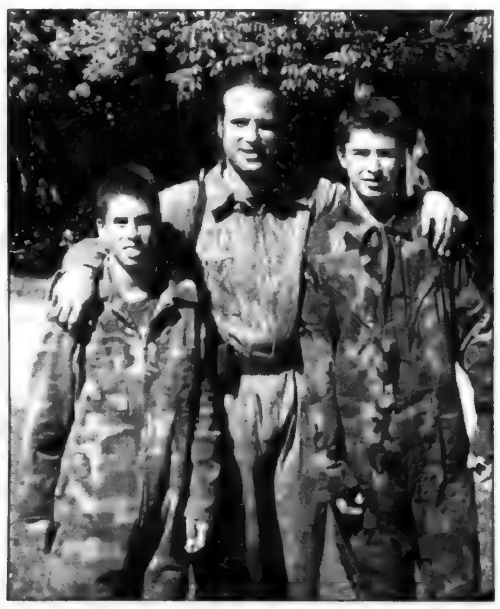
Above, AYS staffer Suzie Clarke gets a sundae. Above right, at Grab-a-Fistful-of-Fun, team member Ivan Rafiee is pushed to his limits on the course.



Ginny Morrison and Ashley Daley kick back at the AYS Summer Shack, a drop-in program for middle-school students.



The AYS crew prepares for rafting down the second section of the mighty Kennebec River. They got a workout shooting some Class V rapids.



Bill Fahey (center) is flanked by Nick Doherty and Jeff Scott on a paintball excursion.



Hannah Brady keeps her balance standing on the kayak as Michelle Crispo looks on.

Have enough fun this summer?

By Glenn Wilson

For the past eight weeks, hundreds of middle school students had a smashing summer experience with the Andover Youth Services summer program, Get on the Bus.

What exactly did we do this summer? Well...

We filled our big yellow limousine with huge groups of energetic and enthusiastic young people and ventured to all the hot spots in the area like Riverside, Water Country, Hampton Beach, Omni Theater, Goodtimes and more.

Let's not stop there. How about the 60-foot rocks we climbed at Pawtuckaway, the crystal-clear water of Walden Pond that we paddled across in our kayaks, the rocky summits of Mt. Lafayette and Mt. Lincoln that we reached, and don't forget we saw the Red Sox defeat the Indians at Fenway Park.

We cleared two trails for AVIS and helped out the Red Cross Blood Drive, too!

Also included in our 40 adventures of the summer of '99 were whitewater rafting on the Kennebec River, mountain biking, the Boston Duck Tour, canoeing, paintball, tubing on the Pemi River, alpine slides, beach trips, deep-sea fishing, lazer tag, and a 22-hour marathon trip to Six Flags Great Adventure.

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ON CAMPUS

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Two Andover residents were awarded juris doctor degrees at the May 23 commencement exercises of Suffolk University held at the FleetCenter in Boston. **Dianne E. Jurgen**, daughter of Robert and Margaret Jurgen, graduated cum laude. She is a 1989 graduate of Boston College.

Kathryn J. Donovan, daughter of John and Gale Donovan, received a bachelor of arts degree from Villanova University in 1994.

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Aaron Stuart of Andover received an associate in science degree in automotive technology from Franklin Institute of Boston at commencement exercises at John Hancock Hall. He also presented a rendition of the National Anthem on the 55th anniversary of D-Day.

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Six UMass Lowell students from Andover received bachelor degrees with honors at a commencement ceremony held recently at the Tsongas Arena. They are:

Riley C. Doyle, who received a bachelor of science degree in computer science magna cum laude; **Noreen C. Volpe**, who received a bachelor of arts degree in English cum laude; **Matthew H. Leonard**, who received a bachelor of arts degree in psychology magna cum laude; **Denise M. Doran**, who received a bachelor of science degree in nursing magna cum laude; **Jeri L. Quirk**, who received a bachelor of science degree in nursing magna cum laude; and **Philip B. Parsons III**, who received a bachelor of science in business administration degree in management information systems magna cum laude.

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LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools the week of Sept. 6-10:

Elementary schools

Monday: Labor Day.
Tuesday: Ravioli with roll, hot dog on bun, chicken McSchool, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Chicken salad pita pocket, baked chicken nuggets, cheese dippers with marinara sauce, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Rib barbecue dippers, cheeseburger with fries, cheese pizza, vegetable, fruit, popsicle, milk.
Friday: Pizza stick with soft pretzel, baked chicken nuggets, chef's choice, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Middle schools

Monday: Labor Day.
Tuesday: Ravioli with roll, two hot dogs on bun, chicken McSchool, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Chicken salad pita pocket, baked chicken nuggets, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Rib barbecue dippers, cheeseburger with fries, cheese dippers with marinara sauce, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Friday: Steak and cheese sub, baked chicken nuggets, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Peanut butter and jelly/Fluff available daily.

Secondary

Monday: Labor Day.
Tuesday: Chicken McSchool, pasta with marinara sauce, cold cut sub with topping, bakery pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Salisbury steak with potato, pasta with marinara sauce, cold cut sub with topping, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Chicken salad pita, pasta with marinara sauce, cold cut sub with topping, bagel pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
Friday: Two toasted cheese sandwiches, pasta with marinara sauce, cold cut sub with topping, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.
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News

Temple Emanuel welcomes its first female rabbi

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Rabbi Karen Landy has made it her life's work to find people on the fringes of community life, and bring them to the center. So as the congregation grows at Temple Emanuel in Andover, her service as the temple's new assistant rabbi are filling an obvious need, says Rabbi Robert Goldstein.

"We often speak of the importance of working with young people, but we don't always follow thorough," Goldstein says of the decision to hire Landy to work with the youth and the aging population of the congregation.

But Landy, who has worked as director of Jewish life at the University of Oregon, and in Philadelphia and Boston, is not arriving as an outsider.

She grew up in Andover, graduated from Andover High School in 1980 and, as a child, was a member of the Temple Emanuel congregation. She now lives in North Andover with her family including daughter Maayan, 2½.

Landy believes the increased need for youth programs across the country is due to several factors, including recent school violence and the symptoms of life in the computer age.

"Kids don't come home and play outside any more," she says. Family life that once consisted of several generations living together under one roof has yielded to times in which some children grow up visiting a parent three times a year, she says, noting that such a dynamic has led to more and more suburban families seeking community through their place of worship.

"A lot of what (families) are seeking from the congregation is a good school, but people want to connect, with the divine, and with other people," she says.

According to Goldstein, their school teaches more than 400 students. Most of the activities Landy will be handling with Andover children at Temple Emanuel will be suggestions children have made themselves, she says.

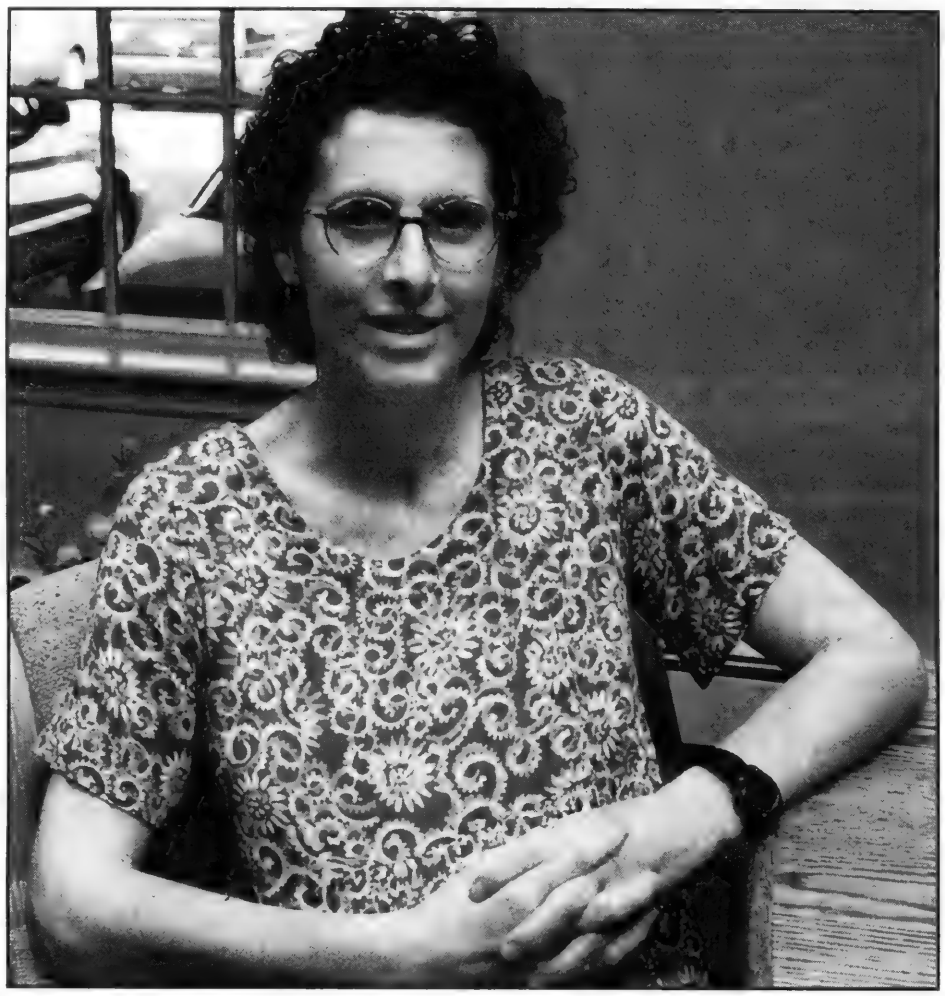


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Support for family life — Rabbi Karen Landy, of Temple Emanuel, says young people need a spiritual connection in their lives.

Her spiritual work with AIDS patients is not too different from her work with teen-agers or the elderly, she says, since they are all, to some degree, marginalized by the larger community.

"Both populations really are questioning and struggling with making meaning in their lives. They are at a crossroads," she says.

Landy says some congregations incorrectly assume that teen-agers are not interested, or need a break from spiritual life.

"They're dealing with a troubled, problematic world and have a lot of stress," she says, and so they need a spiritual connection.

She will also be adding to the nursing home visits, Goldstein says, and working with advanced students who speak Hebrew, to teach a more modern, conversational style or "Hebrew Ulpan."

Her connection to Andover and her experience around the country will serve the congregation well, Goldstein says.

"She's going to bring back a lot of new ideas. That's good for us," he says.

Landy is a bit of a new idea herself, as the first female rabbi of Temple Emanuel. While women have been allowed to become rabbis for 25 years, turnover at Temple Emanuel is very low, says Goldstein, who is going into his 10th year at the Temple. He was preceded by Rabbi Harry Roth who served for more than 30 years, he says.

When the congregation sought a new rabbi, considering the gender was irrelevant, Goldstein says, but he believes it will be an asset to have a female rabbi as a role model for children in the congregation, including his daughters.

Landy says she is happy to serve as a kind of female role model she never had, but takes her role one step further.

Part of her work includes working with the congregation to develop rituals where they are needed, but may not have been part of tradition.

While Jewish traditions have many rituals for the birth and coming of age of boys, there were few such rituals for girls until female rabbis or educated Jewish women decided to do something about it, Landy says.

Bas mitzvahs, or the coming-of-age ritual for girls, was once traditionally held Friday nights, while bar mitzvahs, the same ritual for boys, was held on Saturday mornings, the Sabbath day, a time reserved for more significant ceremonies.

Today bas mitzvahs and bar mitzvahs are both held on the Sabbath. Women have also created rituals for welcoming baby girls into the world, such as washing their feet, the way Abraham welcomed a stranger, she says.

Goldstein says now is the perfect time to welcome a new rabbi to the Temple, as high holidays begin on Rosh Hashanah next weekend.

"We feel very fortunate to have gotten her here. It's a real coup," he says.

Teachers ...

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have an aging teacher force, which is the whole problem behind the shortage," she says.

Like the brewing elements of a storm, several factors in public education across the state are creating the teacher void. Enrollments are rising (Bach calls it a "baby boomlet"), teachers are retiring, and fewer people are becoming teachers.

Bach says she believes fewer women consider teaching these days, because there are more career options available to them. She cites the difference between her own generation and that of her children.

"I started teaching in the '60s, and my sister became a nurse. Not too many women were lawyers, business owners, or in medicine," she says, and adds that her son attended UMass Medical School in a class with at least 50 percent females.

"There's been a giant shift," she says.

While few Andover schools opened with new positions to be filled, many replaced retiring teachers, including the Doherty Middle School which said goodbye to long-time teachers Susan Hutchinson, Bob Wormsley along with world language teacher Doug Halstead, says Principal Floyd McManus.



Bach — a "giant shift" away from teaching.

Principal Charlie Friel of West Elementary School says he has successfully filled most positions, but finding special needs teachers and assistants continues to be a challenge.

While more than 50 people applied to a teaching position in science at West Middle School, according to Principal Vicki Simms, other school systems are calling Andover desperate for help, she says.

One advantage is that Andover has not had to resort to hiring uncertified teachers, as some area towns have reportedly done, Simms says.

The Shawsheen Integrated Primary School seems to be weathering the shortage most easily. According to Principal Theresa Murphy, with the exception of one new position, a health teacher, all of their teachers have been at the school for at least four years.

Their new health teacher is one of many new such positions across the system as a new Health Education program begins, Bach says.

Local couple's dream cruise comes to crashing finale

By Neil Fater

Ralph and Lana Pass are no strangers to disembarking cruise ships. But last week was the first time the cruise lovers have faced the possibility of leaving in a lifeboat.

The Passes, of Lavender Hill Lane, were two of the 2,400 passengers shaken awake early Tuesday, Aug. 24, when their cruise liner *Norwegian Dream* collided with a cargo vessel in the English Channel around 1 a.m.

"An officer came on the speaker. All he said was, 'Code Delta! Code Delta! Code Delta!' But it was the panic in his voice as he said it that made you know something had happened," says Lana Pass.

Passengers were quickly given life jackets and waited by their life-boat stations for about an hour while cruise liner personnel assessed the damage.

"It's very clear to me (from the damage) the cruise ship struck the cargo ship. The issue is, who should have given way? Who had the right of way?" says Ralph Pass.

Eventually, the *Dream* limped to Dover, its final destination, while the crew aboard the cargo ship, *Ever Decent*, continued to fight an on-board fire and the possibility of sinking. It took nearly a week for workers to put out the blaze, according to reports.

The ships, which reportedly weighed more than 50,000 gross tons each, collided at about 1 a.m. The cruise ship suffered damage to the bow and front third of the starboard side, almost exactly diagonally opposite from where the Passes were sleeping. Only minor injuries were reported aboard the *Norwegian Dream*, but its next cruise, scheduled to begin later that same day, was reportedly canceled because of the damage.

Pass remembers feeling the impact of the collision, and says he actually expected to find less damage than he did.

"I was awakened by the ship vibrating violently, I could tell by the shaking this was full reverse," says Ralph Pass.

Things were being thrown around by the rocking of the giant cruise liner. "Lana woke up and said, 'Was that a wave?'" he says.

"I wanted to think that we hadn't hit, but I knew that we had," says Lana Pass. "I think I was dressed in about 30 seconds. Since it was the last night of the cruise, almost everyone had packed their bags and put them in the hallway."

"As close as they were, it felt like one hit, but you could distinguish two or three, and feel the shudder through the ship," she says.

The Passes say the people aboard behaved well under the circumstances, and were given updates by the crew every 10 minutes or so.

"I was particularly impressed with how calm the people were — both the passengers and the crew," says Lana Pass. "There was no pushing, no shoving, no yelling. Everyone just had this solemn look on their face."

From their spot on the deck, the Passes could see the cargo ship losing control, and a fire beginning to burn. Some of the containers aboard the cargo ship fell onto the cruise ship, and others landed in the water.

"As we looked at (the cargo ship), you could tell that it was listing. The longer you looked, you could tell it was listing more and more," says Ralph Pass. "I was afraid it was going to capsize.

"I thought there was a good chance they could possibly sink," he says. "The list went from 10 to 15 degrees, to about 40 degrees in 20 minutes, and it didn't look like they were able to control it."

The ship's captain reportedly steered the *Ever Decent* into shallow water and was able to correct that problem, but it took days before the fire aboard the ship was extinguished.

"It did not look like it was on fire when we first came up. The first thing I noticed was the smoke it was giving off was an orange-red," says Pass.

But soon, he continues, the ship looked like a giant fireplace, with flames leaping 40 to 50 feet in the air.

"That was quite a spectacular sight. It looked sort of like a dozen fireworks finales going off at once — and all in red," says Lana Pass.

Despite this less-than-dream ending to their trip aboard the *Dream*, the Passes say they have no qualms about taking to the high seas again.

"We're scheduled to go next spring. Even if we had to get into the lifeboats and into the water, it would not deter me from going on the next cruise," says Lana Pass. "Maybe if this had been my first cruise..."

"If I had a vacation, I'd go tomorrow," agrees her husband. "It was an abnormal thing. Incidents like that don't normally happen."

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Interim principal takes over for Mr. Robinson

Andover High School students arriving next week may be greeted by two principals instead of one, but Principal Larry Robinson will only be visiting for the day.

Robinson began a 30-day leave of absence Aug. 22 to recover from cancer treatments this month, but plans to be at school on opening day to welcome students, says interim Principal Bruce MacDonald.

"He's making cheerful predictions about returning, but his health will determine when," says MacDonald.

Robinson was diagnosed with liver cancer in October last year, shortly after beginning his first year at Andover High School.

MacDonald, who retired at 63, was looking to go back to school, but says he didn't expect this.

"I decided I needed some excitement," says the retired high school principal, but he had only applied to be a substitute teacher in Newton.

"If all my investments worked out like that, it would be great," he says.

McDonald served as principal of Weston High School from 1982 to 1994, and before that was director of the English Department for Weston Public Schools from 1962 to 1982.

As an administrator who left as Education Reform first began showing its true colors, MacDonald says he is adjusting to a new set of rules,

"I'm kind of playing catch-up to what the state has been doing in my absence, but the important stuff is what happens in classrooms, not what they send out in glossy covers," MacDonald says.

Administratively, he plans to keep in touch with Robinson, and was defining his duties on his second day, Tuesday.

"Things are going on all around me, and I'm just watching people make them work," he says.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

Adults get a kick out of soccer

It's the weekend, and cars fill the parking lot beyond capacity. Smoke wafts skyward from well-used grills.

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Saturday, Aug. 27, about 150 players from six teams in the Andover adult summer soccer league descended on upper Shawsheen for a round-robin tournament and barbecue.

The tournament was won by the team coached by Andover resident Steve Smith, and the food was tackled by all.

"What made it a great tournament was the level of play. It was what a summer league is supposed to be — competitive, but somewhat recreational," says commissioner John Nourse.

Nourse says the summer league is a combination of "guys who play in the leagues in the spring and fall that allow slide tackling," and those who are a bit more laid back on the field.

"We have guys who are 55, 60 years old and they come down with the knee braces and — damn — they run their butts off," he says. "It's an interesting mix.

"These (fall and spring) players, they're fanatics," he says. "These guys will play in Burlington or Topsfield. They'll play in an indoor league at 11 o'clock at night, at midnight sometimes."

While there is some sentiment to make the summer league more intense, Nourse is pushing to keep the summer league a little less competitive than the indoor, fall and spring adult leagues in town.

"There are a lot of people in town who might consider playing in this league if it wasn't so competitive," he says. "This creates an opportunity for someone who in interested in soccer, but is not yet at that (next) level."

As a co-ed league, the summer league also provides women with an opportunity to play. Each team must have five women on the roster and one woman on the field at all times. Men aged 25 and older, and women 18 and older are allowed to play.

The fee for playing in most leagues is about $50, says Nourse, to cover the cost of the fields and referees.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Aug. 25 – At 1:37 a.m., Dennis J. Bligh Jr., 18, of 172 Andover St., Andover, was arrested on Central Street and charged with driving under the influence of liquor, driving with a revoked license, failing to stay in marked lanes and being a minor transporting or carrying alcohol. A 19-year-old female was also taken into protective custody.

Thursday, Aug. 26 – At 6 a.m., Baltazar Gomez, 38, of 153 Beacon Ave., Lawrence, was arrested on River Street and charged with driving without a license.

At 6:55 a.m., Mark D. Williams, 33, of 349 Hildreth St., Lowell, was arrested on River Street and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 7:11 a.m., Raymond P. Lamarche, 31, 61 Young St., Tewksbury, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license, and an equipment violation.

At 12:31 p.m., Agustin P. Diaz, 45, of 177 Union St., Lawrence, was arrested on Main Street and charged on a Tewksbury warrant for driving without a license and a railroad crossing violation, and on an Andover warrant for driving with a suspended license and two counts of driving with a child under 6 who was not in a car seat. Mouritz Gregery Coffie, 27, of 38 Hampton St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged for driving without a license.

At 8:35 p.m., Glenn K. Pearson, 43, of 250 North Main St., Apt. 11, Andover, was arrested at his home and charged with assault and battery. A restraining order was later served in hand to him at the police station.

At 10:06 p.m., after a vehicle with New Hampshire plates was recovered at Memorial Circle, Joshua E. Hancock, 34 Seventh Ave., Haverhill, was arrested and charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Friday, Aug. 27 – At 1:27 a.m., Lori L. Houlihan, 46 Stevens Ave., Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 10 a.m., Santos Diaz, 29, of 5 Phillips St., Methuen, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving with a suspended license and failing to yield for a pedestrian.

At 10:49 a.m., after a woman stated that a landscaper had told her to call police about "a naked man running around in the street with a knife," a sergeant went to Wild Rose Drive. The sergeant reported looking for a man who had left on foot without a weapon and was sought for assault and battery on a family member. About an hour later, the canine unit tracked the man to a Pond View Place home where there was a broken rear window and an open front door. At 12:47 p.m., Patrick N. Dennehy, 19, of 13 Wild Rose Drive, Andover, was arrested and charged with assault and battery.

At 12:43 p.m., Elvio R. Gomez Jr., 27, of 17 Emerson Court, North Andover, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 9:41 p.m., Joseph M. Jelson, 20, of 39 Dascomb Road, Andover, was arrested on Bartlet Street and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 10:30 p.m., Gordon Baldacchino, 21, of 10 Marland St., Andover, was arrested on Andover Street and charged on a default warrant for motor vehicle violations.

Saturday, Aug. 28 – At 9:51 a.m., Jamie M. Hicks, 22, of 31 Shawsheen Road, Andover, was arrested at home and charge on a straight warrant for fines owned.

At 4:36 p.m., Jake A. Schiavoni, 19, of 9 Academy Ave., Bradford, was arrested on Interstate 495 North, and charged with driving with a suspended license, failing to stop for police while driving, speeding and driving negligently so as to endanger.

Sunday, Aug. 29 – At 1:54 a.m., Charles J. Bailey, 22 of 1260 Westford St., Lowell, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, failing to report an address change to the registry and driving negligently so as to endanger.

At 2:10 p.m., Antonio A. Torres, 27, of 206 Lawrence St., Lawrence, was arrested on Union Street and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

Tuesday, Aug. 31 – At 1:47 p.m., Regis Bluteau, 59, of 2 North St., Agawam, was arrested on High Plain Road and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, after an accident with injuries was reported.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 25 – At 3:07 a.m., a Washington Park resident reported loud banging in Shawsheen Plaza. An officer reported the noise was from painters finishing up and loading their ladders on the truck.

At 3:57 a.m., a sergeant reported a passing driver said a male who appeared intoxicated was walking around the Elm Street area saying someone had stolen his golf clubs.

At 5:37 a.m., a Gould Road caller reported a tree came down in his yard and took down power lines with it. The line appeared to be live and was blocking the road. Mass Electric was notified and took down the wire at 6:12 a.m.

At 9:49 a.m., a North Main Street caller reported that she was holding a counterfeit $5 bill.

At 12:36 p.m., a River Road resident called to report a pigeon sitting on her property. She did not know if it was hurt. The bird was gone upon an officer's arrival.

At 1:21 p.m., a Shawsheen Road resident reported

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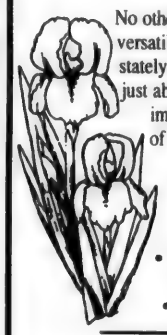
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POLICE LOG

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a beaver running around in circles, creating a traffic problem.

At 3:01 p.m., a Pauline Drive resident reported that a skunk may have been locked inside his or her garage the previous night, and now might be inside a wall. The animal control officer was able to assist the resident.

At 3:51 p.m., a resident came into the station with a set of keys she found near the Fleet Bank.

At 6:36 p.m., a Wild Rose Drive woman reported hearing what she thought were gun shots. An officer reported it was a father who had made "a potato launcher."

At 8:02 p.m., a male came into the station regarding "a girl that keeps bothering him."

Thursday, Aug. 26 – At 12:09 a.m., a Wild Harvest employee reported that someone had been parked in a car in the parking lot for a few hours, just sitting there. An officer reported the woman works for "Save the Kitty Foundation" and is trying to catch a wild cat.

At 2:34 p.m., a Moraine Street resident called to report the gate on that street unlocked. A municipal maintenance employee reported the gates were open with the town manager's approval for the sports team who are using the fields at the school.

Friday, Aug. 27 – At 12:03 a.m., there was a report of kids playing basketball and annoying neighbors on Pine Brook Drive because of the late hour.

Saturday, Aug. 28 – At 10:17 p.m., a Canterbury Street resident reported a possible prowler. An officer found a screen pushed in on the back porch, but no entry was gained. An officer could not locate anyone.

Sunday, Aug. 29 – At 8:40 p.m., a Brookside Drive woman reported her son had been assaulted 10 minutes earlier, and she wanted to speak to an officer.

Monday, Aug. 30 – At 12:10 p.m., a Lowell Street caller reported a man and woman fighting in front of her house. The two got into a sports car and headed toward Lowell. An officer was unable to locate them.

At 4:28 p.m., a male came into the station to see an officer. He reported that around 2:30 p.m. while he was riding his bike on Lowell Street, a blue Volvo with three white males in it threw ketchup out the window of the vehicle, hitting him with it. The log said, "The vehicle made several passes by (the male) and each time (the occupants) threw more ketchup at him. This went on as (the male) rode his bike up Lowell Street toward Tewksbury."

At 7:13 p.m., a restraining order was served in hand to a man working at Raytheon.

BREAKS

Wednesday, Aug. 25 – At 6:06 p.m., a River Road resident reported that someone had broken into her house through the kitchen window between 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 26 – At 3:46 p.m., a sergeant received a call about an attempted break into the back of Radio Shack during the past few days.

Saturday, Aug. 28 – At 6:38 a.m., Phillips Academy security reported someone had broken into Adams Hall, where construction was going on, and taken some tools.

THEFTS

Wednesday, Aug. 25 – At 12:56 a.m., a Salem Street resident reported someone had stolen her large, ornamental deer from her front yard.

At 3:25 p.m., Phillips Academy public safety reported the theft of computer components from the school.

Friday, Aug. 27 – At 5:05 p.m., a detective was to file on the use of a bad check at Family Mutual Savings.

Saturday, Aug. 28 – At 2 p.m., a Lovejoy Road resident reported the theft of a $3,500 set of golf clubs from the Indian Ridge Country Club the previous day.

Tuesday, Aug. 31 – At 7:20 a.m., a North Main Street man reported someone had stolen his credit card and used it since the theft.

At 10:37 p.m., an officer was to file on the theft of a bike on Railroad Avenue.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, Aug. 26 – At 6:20 a.m., a guest at the Tage Inn reported someone had broken into his car and taken a briefcase with a handheld computer, digital camera and flashlight.

At 8:36 a.m., a Tage Inn employee reported someone had attempted to break into a patron's car during the night.

At 9:04 a.m., an officer was to file on a car break that occurred during the night at Bulfinch Drive.

Monday, Aug. 30 – At 8:38 a.m., a New Hampshire resident reported an attempted car break that had occurred Friday on Haverhill Street. The car's door lock was damaged.

At 8:54 a.m., an officer was to file on a car break on Interstate 93 North before Route 133.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 25 – At 10:54 a.m., a female came into the station reporting she was involved in an accident in early July, and wanted to see an officer regarding remarks the other driver made to her.

At 2:57 p.m., a citation was issued to a person involved in an accident on Andover Street. An officer requested an ambulance for someone complaining of pain, but the patient refused transport.

Thursday, Aug. 26 – At 7:51 p.m., an ambulance was sent for a report of a car hitting a youth on his bike on Main Street.

Friday, Aug. 27 – At 4:38 a.m., a Tewksbury Street resident reported hearing a bang and finding a fire hydrant in the middle off the road. An officer was unable to locate the vehicle responsible.

Saturday, Aug. 28 – At 2:02 p.m., after a report of a car hitting a child on a bike in Shawsheen Plaza, an officer advised that there were no injuries.

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For now, a bare witch project

Three hundred and seven years ago, 50 Andover residents disappeared into the woods, shackled and bound for Salem. Some never returned.

This October 15-17, Andover residents can learn what happened to them.

That's because the Andover Historical Society is once again producing the play *Cry Witch! 1692*, about Andover's role in the Salem witch trials.

But the play will remain a bare witch project unless the historical society finds actors. That's where you can help.

The society says it needs 35 to 40 men, women and children between the ages of 7 and 70.

Casting calls will be held on two evenings at two locations. The first audition will take place Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m., at the Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St. Interested people can call the society at 475-2236.

The second will be held Thursday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m., at the North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover. Those interested in auditioning that day can call 686-4035.

Other auditions, for choral and theater groups, page 23

Cry Witch!, written by Juliet Mofford and based on 17th century court documents, was first shown to a sold-out show last October. It could become a bewitching annual event.

"We're expanding from one performance to three performances, and we'll see how it goes," says Tom Edmonds, historical society curator.

No one who appeared in last year's performance is guaranteed a spot, and everyone will have to audition, says Edmonds. He says this year's version of the play will be somewhat different than last year's, because it will be directed by Linda Zimmerman, of Andover.

"She'll have a different slant on the play, although it will still be based on the issue of intolerance," says Edmonds, "and how it can tear apart a community, which is applicable today, and all through history."

In fact, Mofford created her play "to tell the story of how intolerance nearly destroyed Andover and the lives of its citizens."

More residents from Andover were imprisoned for witchcraft than from any other town involved in the Salem trials. By the end, one of every 12 Andover residents had been formally accused.

Yet, after the trials, most Andover residents refused to speak about the witch hunts, perhaps out of shame. As a result, Andover's historical involvement nearly became forgotten.

Andover resident Deborah Nash, who played female lead Abigail Faulkner in last year's production, learned just a few years ago that her great-great-great-great-great-great-great-great grand uncle was one of the people who, under intense pressure, confessed to being a witch.

Coffeehouse still fresh, gettin' stronger

By Neil Fater

There's no evidence of a stop sign at the Crossroads.

Crossroads Coffeehouse, the coffeehouse that could in the basement of North Parish Unitarian Universalist Church in North Andover, is motoring along as it begins its second decade next Saturday, Sept. 11.

Providing the first cup of musical java Sept. 11 is Northern Lights, a Boston Music Award-winning bluegrass band.

The band, which mixes western swing, blues, folk, jazz and cajun music has amassed an impressive collection of favorable clippings, and none of it's because its mandolin player and vocalist is *Townsman* editor Taylor Armerding.

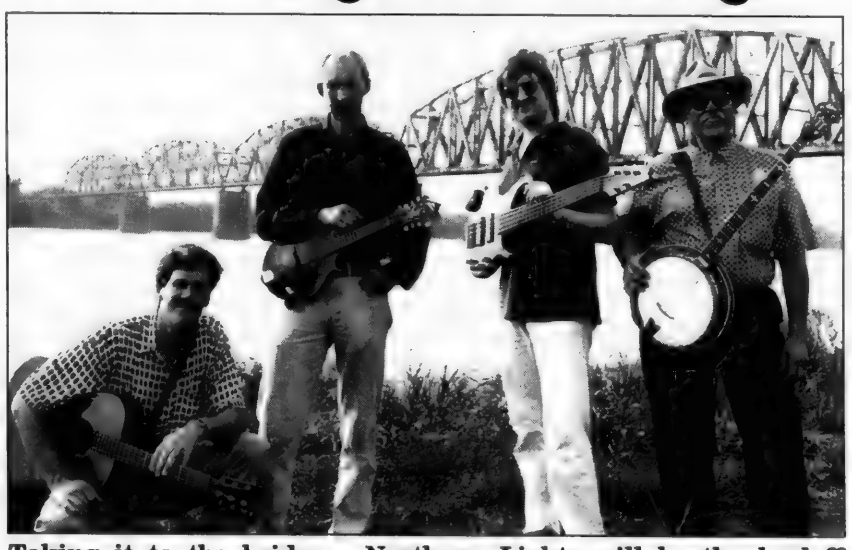
Doors open at 7:15 p.m., with the show starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are $12. For more info call 687-3960, or 687-7948 after 5:30 the night of the concert.

"People like us just like to play," says Armerding. "We do this on the weekends. It's *fun*."

Those who attend next Saturday's show will see that Northern Lights' brand of fun is a bit different than most bluegrass bands', as about half of the songs the band plays at its live shows are original works.

They'll also see a somewhat new lineup since the band last performed at Crossroads about seven years ago, with bassist Chris Miles, who Armerding says has been with the group for three years and is "far and away the best bass player we've had."

One reason Crossroads consistently gets recognizable names like Northern Lights is its setting.



Taking it to the bridge – Northern Lights will be the leadoff hitter in this year's Crossroads Coffeehouse lineup.

"People just find it to be a real cozy place. Because people aren't drinking alcohol, the audience really pays attention to the music and knows what's going on — and every performer likes that," says Kim Adami, Crossroads co-chairperson.

People who get their start there are also more than willing to return later when they've made more of a name.

"The whole folk and acoustic music community is less star struck than the whole rock scene," says Armerding.

"Someone like Cheryl Wheeler has gotten a huge buzz off of this anti-gun song she wrote," he says. "I bet she's doing Crossroads.

(In fact, she closes out the season May 13, even though Adami says "we had to fight to get her.")

"That would be an example of someone who doesn't have to play Crossroads but will, because there's a real community feeling," he says. "If Crossroads had them in when they were small, then they'll come back in when they're medium or big."

After Northern Lights leads off, the rest of this year's starting nine includes Taylor Whiteside, Oct. 9; Jenny Reynolds and Cheryl Hoenemeyer, Nov. 13; Vance Gilbert, Dec. 11; Atwater and Donnelly, Jan. 8; Michael Cooney, Feb. 12; Linda Waterfall, March 11; Tabasco Fiasco, April 8; and Cheryl Wheeler, May 13.

"We like to see those coffee houses prosper. They're the lifeblood." says Armerding. "If they die, the number of places to play will be seriously reduced."

Foxtrot Zulu coming together, under one roof

By Neil Fater

Their college years at the University of Rhode Island were ending, and the seven friends who had formed the band Foxtrot Zulu for fun were thinking, *Maybe, just maybe, we're not quite ready to put on suits and ties yet.*

"That's a good way to put it. We had played the parties and the local bars there, around URI," says lead guitarist and vocalist Neal Jones. "Now, we kind of had to make a decision as to whether to pursue the band, or a career, a 9-to-5 sort of thing."



Alpha O.K. – With its new Phoenix Rising label, Foxtrot Zulu is hoping all its instruments' sounds will rise.

The band didn't have too much trouble deciding to "extend our fleeting youth," he says.

Right now, that decision is looking like a good one, as Foxtrot Zulu's blend of energetic, horn-driven jazz, folk, funk and ska is making a name for itself.

Sunday, Sept. 5, the band will headline a benefit concert for Haverhill Clubhouse, at Giordano's Starlight Theater in Georgetown. The opening act goes on at 8 p.m.

Haverhill Clubhouse is a nonprofit organization that offers opportunities for adults who are struggling with mental illness to access the worlds of work, housing, education, and recreation. The Clubhouse is currently raising money to send several members to an international clubhouse leadership conference in Toronto. Direct donations may be sent to the Haverhill Clubhouse at 44 Emerson St., Haverhill, MA 01830. The Club-

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Invading Andover next week

The Park may not have free love, but it will have a free concert next Sunday.

The Department of Community Services is inviting residents to the Park Sept. 12, from 1 to 3 p.m., for a free concert by '60s Invasion.

This band covers songs from the early 1960s such as *New Orleans* by Gary U.S. Bonds and *Can't Help Falling In Love* by Elvis, and proceeds further into the decade with *Please, Please Me* by the Beatles and *Loude, Louie* by the Kingsmen. Other '60s selections include *Good Lovin'* by the Rascals, *Midnight Confession* by the Grass Roots and *Hair*, from the Broadway musical with the same name.

'60s Invasion is led by international touring artist Dave Vose on percussion, with Jack Little on bass, Dave Dunham on lead vocals and Andover's Bob Cleary on guitar.

In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held inside Memorial Auditorium.

Going nowhere fast

Also next week, the new dinner theater show Nonna's Cruise to Nowhere will dock at Grill 93, off River Road, on Friday, Sept. 10.

The show is the brainchild of Dolores LaMarca, Louise Melaragni and Anna Maria Soriano who spent years with the Joey and Maria's Comedy Wedding show.

"We've taken everyone's favorite Italian grandmother (Nonna) and placed her on an imaginary cruise ship (the *S.S. Gigantic*) along with her zany family after (the family has misled) her into thinking she's going back home to Italy," says music director and co-producer Soriano." Audiences members can dance and play along with cast members who "are naturals at audience interaction."

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7, and the show beginning at 8 p.m. People can call (978) 687-2442 for ticket information.

Trotting in

(ZULULAND, from page 21)

house can be reached at (978) 521-6957.

When they're not playing, members of Foxtrot Zulu work at Perspectives, a Rhode Island business that helps mentally handicapped people become a greater part of their community, says Jones.

But since the band signed with the nationally distributed, independent Phoenix Rising label and released its third album *Frozen In Time*, it's been playing frequently.

Band members and critics alike believe this album finally helped the jam band known more for its sound than its lyrics come across on CD. Each of the instruments comes through loud and clear.

"(On the first two albums) it tends to sound muddled and, not necessarily confused, but not as cohesive as it can," says Jones.

"We had been trying to do it ourselves — and it worked and it was a lot of fun — but you had seven guys and each had his own ideas," he says. "(Phoenix producer Harvey Goldberg) really helped meld us together and get us really focused."

With its new label, the band may be bringing it all together.

Not that togetherness has ever been a problem for it. Until a pair of recent marriages, all the band members lived in the same house. Five still live there.

But does that much closeness help or hurt a band?

"It might be a little bit of both, but more so it helps because we get to play together so often," says Jones. "If there's an idea floating around, you can always play."

And that's what Foxtrot Zulu's been doing all summer, at one point playing 25 shows in 27 days.

"We really felt that the name has gotten out there much more than it ever has before," says Jones. "The crowds are getting bigger. Everybody's amped for where we're going."

Up next is Giordano's. No ties required.

"I'd rather do this than day trade," says Jones. "No one at this point is upset with their choice."

Foxtrot Zulu will be playing two sets at Giordano's Starlight Theater, 206 W. Main St., Georgetown, Sunday, Sept. 5, beginning at 9:00 p.m., while the Boston-based Laffing Freeman opens at 8 p.m. Tickets are $12 in advance, $15 at the door and can be ordered by calling (978) 352-7300.

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Registration and first rehearsal will be on Sept. 7 in the Wilmington High School band room from 6:45-9:30 p.m. All voices are welcome, but singers must be of high school age or older. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 7-9:30 p.m. Concert dates are November 26, 27 and 28.

Those needing more information should visit the NRTW website at www.nrtwinc.com, or call Paul at (978) 681-0355.

Classical

The New England Classical Singers will hold auditions Wednesday, Sept. 8, at South School, 55 Woburn St. This season's programming will include a holiday performance of Charpentier's *Messe de Minuit pour Noel* and spring performance of Aaron Rosenthal's *Voices of Terezin*.

Residents who want to reserve an audition time or learn more can call Jill Barker, the NECS membership chair, at 688-2816.

Follow the bread crumb trail

The Merrimack Junior Theatre, a non-profit children's theater, will hold auditions for the musical adaptation of *Hansel and Gretel* at Doherty Middle School auditorium Sept. 9 and 10 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Production dates are Nov. 12, 13 and 14, with rehearsals Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Auditions are open to children in grades two through six. Children will be asked to act out a short poem or monologue (one minute maximum) and sing the first few bars of *America* (*My Country 'Tis of Thee*). Kids should bring a non-returnable photo of themselves. For more information, call MJT Pres. Corinne Gediman at 475-3422.

Singing in a 70th anniversary

The Andover Choral Society, a not-for-profit organization, will begin its 70th season and welcome new members to its first weekly rehearsal Monday, Sept. 13, at 7:20 p.m., Christ Church, 25 Central St. All voice parts are welcome, and no auditions are required. For more information, call 687-8225.

TOWNSMAN TEASER



Q: What returning students find at schools such as South and West.

A: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

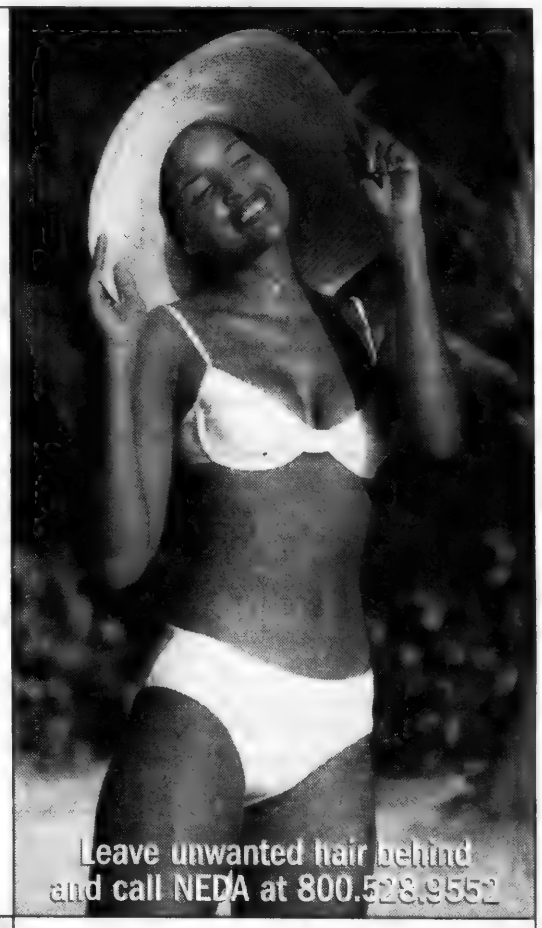
Word clue: 1. The point of a weathervane (9 letters).

About the teaser: All answers are Andover-related and contain a pun. Crossword-style clues are given for each word in the solution. Answer next week.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, Sept. 3

Comedy Escape, featuring Marci Coyote Rose, Bob Flathers, Dave Greenburg, 9:30 p.m., $10-$12 cover charge, China Blossom, Routes 125/133, North Andover; 1-800-401-2221.

Lowell Summer Music Festival, sponsored by University of Massachusetts Lowell, Lowell National Historical Park and Lowell Festival Foundation, featuring Livingston Taylor, 8 p.m., $5, Boarding House Park, French Street, Lowell; (978) 970-5000.

SATURDAY, Sept. 4

Comedy Escape, featuring Marci Coyote Rose, Bob Flathers, Dave Greenburg, *see Friday, Sept. 3 entry*.

New England Arts & Crafts Festival, sponsored by Castleberry Fairs, craftsmen, food, musical entertainment, horse-drawn wagon rides, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., $3, under 14 free, Topsfield Fairgrounds, Topsfield; (603) 755-2166.

Lowell Summer Music Festival, featuring Los Pleneros del Coco, *see entry under Friday, Sept. 3.*

Labor Day Christmas auction, sponsored by Greater Newburyport Chamber of Commerce & Industry, auction preview, 11 a.m., auction, noon, Market Square, Newburyport; Joan Bouchard (978) 462-6680.

Concert and service, sponsored by Temple Emanuel of Andover, flutist Julie Scolnik performing Bach, Copland, Dinicu, Block, 8:15 p.m., refreshments, penitential service, 9:30 p.m.; Cantor Donn Rosensweig 470-1356.



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Family hands-on day, sponsored by House of Seven Gables, cook 17th-century-style journey cake over fire, spin wool into yarn, play 17th-century games, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., $7 adults, $4 children ages 6-17, free children 6 and under, 54 Turner St., Salem, Mass.; (978) 744-0991.

Mahrajan, sponsored by St. Anthony's Church, Arabic and American food, belly dancing, entertainment, 4 p.m.-midnight, $3 adults, $2 high school-age, under 12 free, 70 Lawrence St., Lawrence; 685-9774.

SUNDAY, Sept. 5

New England Arts & Crafts Festival, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., *see Saturday, Sept. 4 entry*.

Buskers Festival, by Greater Newburyport Chamber of Commerce & Industry, featuring strolling musicians, clowns, jugglers, magicians, food, Market Square, Newburyport; Joan Bouchard (978) 462-6680.

Concert, sponsored by Haverhill Clubhouse to benefit adults struggling with mental illness, featuring jam band Foxtrot Zulu, for ages 21+, 8 p.m., $12 in advance, $15 at door, Giordano's Restaurant, Route 97, Georgetown; Haverhill Clubhouse (978) 521-6957 or Giordano's Restaurant (978) 352 7300.

Mahrajan, following 11 a.m. liturgy until midnight, see entry under Saturday, Sept. 4.

MONDAY, Sept. 6

Bread & Roses Heritage Festival, 9 a.m. road race, $12 registration fee, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., festival, food, music, arts and crafts, walking and trolley tours, voter registration, wheelchair accessible, Campagone Common, Lawrence; Danielle Tirone 685-5231 or Frank E. Falvey (978) 682-8055, Ext. 11.

TUESDAY, Sept. 7

Jazz, featuring the Miles Donahue Quartet, wheelchair accessible, 7:30-10:30 p.m., $5 cover charge, Casa Vecchia, Route 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.



Registration, Andover Junior Football League, ages 10-15 (high school freshman not eligible) 6-7 p.m., $85, $150 two or more in same family, Doherty Middle School, Bartlet Street; Ted Teichert 475-8322.

Registration, cheerleaders, girls ages 9-14, $65, 6-7 p.m., Doherty Middle School, Bartlet Street; Donna Chretien 474-4443.

Registration/first rehearsal, North Regional Theatre Workshop's concert "Home for the Holidays," all voices welcome, 6:45-9:30 p.m., Wilmington High band room, Route 62, Wilmington; Paul 681-0355.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 8

Meeting, Homebased Businesswomen's Network, 7 p.m., $10, Village Green Restaurant, Route 1 Danvers; Diane (781) 861-6972 or Lorraine (978) 546-7969.

Auditions, ***Cry Witch!1692***, ages 7-70, 7 p.m., Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; 475-2236.

Auditions, New England Classical Singers, South School, 55 Woburn St.; 688-2816.

Auditions, Concord Players' *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris*, 7:30 p.m., 51 Walden St., Concord, Mass.; Sally (978) 369-2042.

Registration, Andover Junior Football League and cheerleaders, *see entry under Tuesday, Sept. 7.*

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CALENDAR

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Meeting, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 664-3140, 687-9103, 686-2656.

Social and activity sign-up, sponsored by Newcomers' Club of the Andovers, a non-profit social club for residents of Andover and North Andover, 7:30 p.m., Old Town Hall, Main Street; Dawn Kraskey 749-9558 or Beth Friedberg 794-7660.

THURSDAY, Sept. 9

Breakfast Circle, sponsored by Sutton Hill Center, healthy breakfast, Scott MacDonald of New York Life discusses protecting your nest egg, proceeds donated to Council on Aging, 9-10:30 a.m., $1; 688-1212.

Auditions, ***Cry Witch!1692***, ages 7-70, 7 p.m., North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road; 686-4035.

Auditions, Merrimack Junior Theatre's *The Story of Hansel and Gretel*, grades 2-6, 6-9 p.m., Doherty Middle School Auditorium, Bartlet Street; Corinne Gediman 475-3422.

Auditions, Concord Players, *see entry under Wednesday, Sept. 8.*

Alzheimer's program, sponsored by Fallon Healthcare System, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Willow Manor Health-Care and Rehabilitation Center, 30 Princeton Boulevard, Lowell; 1-800-939-5433.

FRIDAY, Sept. 10

Opening reception, art work by Carl Lackey, Nancy Marculewicz, Helen Tory, Marcia Widenor, 5-7 p.m., Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; 685-2343.

Concert, sponsored by Ride FAR 6 and Universal Coffeehouse, featuring Chris Smither, Jennifer Kimball and special guest, 8 p.m., $20, First Universalist Church, 211 Bridge St., Salem, Mass; (978) 779-0393.



Smither – Universal acceptance

Tewksbury homecoming celebration, Tewksbury State Hospital grounds, East Street, Tewksbury; 640-6238.

SATURDAY, Sept.11

Apple country craft fair, sponsored by St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., 3 Peabody Row, Londonderry, N.H.; (603) 437-8333.

Tewksbury homecoming celebration, *see Friday, Sept. 10 entry.*

Flea market, sponsored by Belleville Congregational Church, space rental, $14, table rental, $5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 300 High St., Newburyport; (978) 465-5204.

Banjo and fiddle contests, Boarding House Park, 40 French St., Lowell; (978) 970-5000.

SUNDAY, Sept. 12

Apple country craft fair, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., *see Saturday, Sept. 11 entry.*

Tewksbury homecoming celebration, featuring classic antique car show 10 a.m.-4 p.m. *see entry under Friday, Sept. 10.*

Concert, sponsored by Department of Community Services, 1-3 p.m., the Park, Bartlet and Chestnut streets, in the event of rain, Memorial Auditorium; Mary Donohue 623-8277.



Invasion of the nostalgia snatchers – '60s invasion hits Park.

Auditions, Ballet Theatre of Boston's *Nutcracker*, ages 6-8, 9 a.m., ages 9-10, 10:30 a.m., ages 11-12, noon, ages 13-14, 1:30 p.m., ages 15-18, 3 p.m., Emerson Majestic Theatre, 219 Tremont St., Boston; (617) 354-7467.

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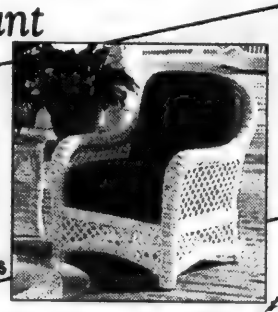
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Charles Jessico III and Lori Philbin



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Philbin-Jessico

Donald and Carolyn Philbin of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Ruth, to Charles Michael Jessico III, son of Charles Jessico of Cambridge and Christa Wolfe Jessico of Andover.

Ms. Philbin received a bachelor's degree in communication from University of Southern Maine.

Mr. Jessico received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from University of Massachusetts Lowell.

The couple plan a September wedding.

Perkins-Watanabe

Dr. and Mrs. David Perkins of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia, to Robert T. Watanabe, son of Dr. and Mrs. Tatsuo Watanabe of Winslow, Maine.

Ms. Perkins is a graduate of Andover High and the University of Maine.

Mr. Watanabe recently received his master's in music from Tufts University.

They live in Seattle, Wash., and work for amazon.com.

The couple plan a September wedding on Chebeague Island, Maine.

Grasso-Kaniclides

John and Denise Grasso of North Andover and Marilyn Grasso of Lawrence announce the engagement of their daughter, Gayle Ann, to James David Kaniclides, son of Robert and Martha Mannion of Ashtabula, Ohio, and George and Leah Kaniclides of Niles, Ohio.

Ms. Grasso graduated from Andover High School in 1987 and from North Adams State College in 1991 with a BA degree. She is director of Call Center Services; Strategix, Peabody.

Mr. Kaniclides graduated from Christian Life Academy in Ashtabula, Ohio, in 1987, and received a BBA from Ohio University in 1991 and a MBA from Northeastern University in 1993. He is with Standish, Ayer & Wood Inc. in Boston

The couple plan a Sept. 26 wedding.

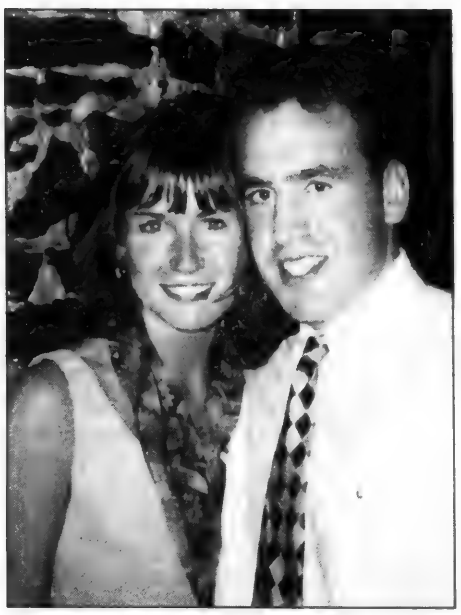
Cole-Weightman

Roberta Hanson of Andover and Ronald Cole of Salem, N.H., announce the engagement of their daughter, Dana Cameron Elizabeth Cole, to Keith D. Weightman, son of Joanne and Willard Weightman of Andover.

Ms. Cole graduated from Andover High School in 1990, Northern Essex Community College in 1997 and Bradford College in 1999. She is a permissions assistant with Addison Wesley Longman Inc. in Reading.

Mr. Weightman graduated from Andover High School in 1990 and Northern Essex Community College in 1997. He is a firefighter with the Andover Fire Department and a candidate for a B.S. degree at Merrimack College.

The couple plan a September wedding.



Moran-Shapiro

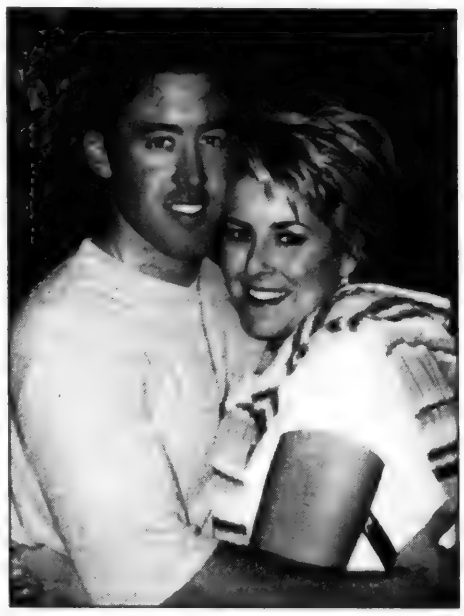
Donald and Mary Moran of Worcester announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Catherine, to Mark Benjamin Shapiro, son of Stanley and Etta Shapiro of Andover.

Ms. Moran received a degree from UMass Amherst and a law degree from Suffolk University. She is an attorney at the Law Offices of Atwood & Cherny in Boston.

Mr. Shapiro also received a degree from UMass Amherst and is pursuing a MBA from Bentley College. He is a senior property accountant with S.R. Weiner & Associates Inc. in Chestnut Hill.

The couple plan an October wedding.

Erin Moran and Mark Shapiro



Coutermarsh-Murphy

Marina and Ernest Coutermarsh of Andover announced the engagement of their daughter, Eva Marina, to Ryan Augustine Murphy, son of Wendy Murphy of Andover and Laurence Murphy of Salem, N.H.

Ms. Coutermarsh received a bachelor of arts degree from North Adams State College and is a senior personnel consultant with KNF&T in Boston.

Mr. Murphy received a bachelor of science degree from University of Southern California and is branch manager of Robert Half International in Lexington.

The couple plan a July 8, 2000, wedding.

Ryan Murphy and Eva Coutermarsh

BIRTHS

BROGAN/DOHERTY – A daughter, Deanna Grace Doherty, born to Douglas Doherty and Debra Ann Brogan of Marlboro on July 30 at Metro West Medical Center in Framingham. Grandparents are Peggy C. Brogan of Troy, Mich., and Janet and George Moreau of Andover.

BURGESS – A son, Timothy Eric, born to Steve and Suzanne Burgess of Lovejoy Road on July 23 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are George and Marilyn Fulginiti of Andover and Kenneth and Barbara Burgess of Waltham. Great-grandparents are Ralph and Marjorie Webb of Waltham.

CAMASSO – A son, Cameron David, born to David and Heidi Camasso of Methuen, formerly of Andover, on July 18 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are David and Maria Hoskison and Judy Camasso, all of Andover. Maria Todt of Andover is his great-grandmother.

FERRIS – A son, Ian Daniel, born to Garrett and Jill Ferris of Methuen on July 6 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are John and Kathleen Gaunt and Daniel and Susan Ferris III, all of Andover.

LANDRY – A daughter, Rachel Iris, born to James and Kimberly (Heller) Landry of Andover on Aug. 10 at Lawrence General Hospital. Grandparents are James and Patricia Landry and Paul and Barbara Heller, all of Andover. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Richman of Chestnut Hill, William Valentine of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Landry of Nashua, N.H.

LEVEILLE – A daughter, Emma Ann, born to Greg

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago

E.J. Rowe is painting and renovating the interior of the Frye Village school house.

John L. Smith, of the firm of Smith & Manning, is taking a rest from active duties at the store.

The Courteous Circle will meet Thursday evening, Sept. 7. Subject, "Vacation Experiences." This meeting is of unusual importance.

The Ira Eastman property on the hill was sold at auction Saturday afternoon to the Lawrence Co-operative bank of Lawrence, for the sum of $4900.

Joseph Daley, five-years-old, son of Patrick Daley of Main Street, was run over by a hand car pushed by some of his companions, Wednesday afternoon, but fortunately suffered no injuries.

Miss Mary M. Poor and Miss Edith Poor have returned to their home in town after a very pleasurable trip of several months abroad. Judge Poor went to New York to meet his daughters on their landing.

Dr. C.F.P. Bancroft participated in the "Home Week" service at the village church in Mt. Vernon, N.H., last Sunday. His text was taken from a couplet from *Home, Sweet Home*, and Dr. Bancroft spoke briefly and forcibly from lessons derived therefrom.

H.F. Chase will take a few days' trip with the Massachusetts division of the league of American wheelmen through the mountains starting tonight. Part of the trip will be by rail and part by wheel. The route will be a most interesting one, taking the participants to Plymouth, Bethlehem, through both the Franconia and Crawford notches and to Boston.

50 Years Ago

An urgent request has been received at Red Cross headquarters for nurses who are desperately needed in polio areas, particularly New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Ohio. The appeal, which came from Regional Director Charles Lemieux, stresses the seriousness of the situation.

Mrs. David H. Mason, former Shawsheen resident and daughter of a retired police officer, was seriously hurt during the recent hurricane in Florida. Her husband was also injured. According to reports the two received serious injuries when a car in which they were riding in during the height of the storm collided with another car in downtown Hollywood, Fla.

Engineers from the Benoit Construction Co. of Lynn started yesterday with their preliminary work in preparation for the construction of the veteran's housing project on Morton Street.

Five Vermont men were arrested here early in the morning of Friday, Aug. 26 and later in the day arraigned in district court at Lawrence on charges of having burglar tools in their possession. An additional charge of carrying a loaded revolver was placed against

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BIRTHS

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and Allison (Newton) Leveille of West Roxbury on July 8 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Marge and Wayne Newton of Andover and Kathryn and Edward Leveille of Sanford, Maine.

LOWE – A son, Joseph Thomas, born to Russell and Maura (Dunn) Lowe of 1 Sheffield Circle, on Aug. 9 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Connie and Dick Dunn and Joy and Russell Lowe, all of Andover. Joseph has a brother, Nicholas, 1.

RUSHTON – A son, Michael Joseph, born to Peter and Nancy Rushton of Andover on July 24 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Kathleen and Ronald Jackson of Prides Crossing and Norma and George Rushton of Boxford. Michael has a sister, Lauren, 4.

TAGAVI – A daughter, Izabelle Ann, born to Cynthia Stone Ross and Andrew Tagavi of Manchester, N.H., on Aug. 24, at Elliott Hospital in Manchester. Grandparents are John and Andra Stone of Milford, Mass., and Sara and Kazen Tagavi of Mashad, Iran. Izabelle has a brother, Sam. Her mother is an advertising sales representative for the *Andover Townsman*.

TEICHERT – A daughter, Julianne Frances, born to Ted and Jeanne (Jardin) Teichert of 5 Dufton Road on July 26, at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are John and Sherry Jardin of Mansfield and the late Frances Jardin and Fred and Jane Teichert of Andover. Great-grandmother is Mary Jardin of Wellesley. Julianne has a sister, Stephanie.

VIENS – A daughter, Allyson Rose, born to Larry and Arlene (Ciaccia) Viens of Hampstead, N.H., on July 25 at Lawrence General Hospital. Grandparents

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RELIGION NEWS

St. Robert's to take part in Pilgrimage 2000

Young adults grade 9 through age 40 from St. Robert Bellarmine Church will participate in the Archdiocese of Boston's Pilgrimage 2000 kick-off event Saturday, Sept. 25, at Foxboro Stadium. Pilgrimage 2000 is a renewal effort for teenagers, college students and young adults organized by the Catholic bishops of Massachusetts and New Hampshire in preparation for the new millennium. The event will be followed by a seven-month preparatory period of prayer, reflection, study and small group discussion in local communities. The preparatory period will begin during the first week of October.

For more information about Pilgrimage 2000 and the Foxboro kick-off event, log onto www.pilgrim2000.org or e-mail general inquiries to pilgrim2000@rendonbos.com.

Temple plans Selichot concert and service

Temple Emanuel of Andover at 7 Haggetts Pond Road will host its annual Selichot concert and service Saturday, Sept. 4, at 8:15 p.m. This year's guest artist, flutist Julie Scolnik, director of the Andover Chamber Music series, will play music of Bloch, Copland, Dinicu and Bach.

Refreshments following the concert will be provided by the Temple Sisterhood. Rabbi Robert Goldstein and Cantor Donn Rosensweig will lead a brief penitential service at 9:30 p.m. to establish the liturgical and musical themes of the upcoming High Holy Days.

High Holy Day services at Havurat Shalom

Havurat Shalom, a Reconstructionist Jewish Congregation, invites the public to join its High Holy Day services.

Rosh Hashanah: Saturday, Sept. 11, at 1 p.m.

Yom Kippur: Monday, Sept. 20, at 10 a.m., Break-fast at 6 p.m.

Both services will be held at Christ Church, 25 Central St.

For more information, call Steve Cohen at 475-3904.

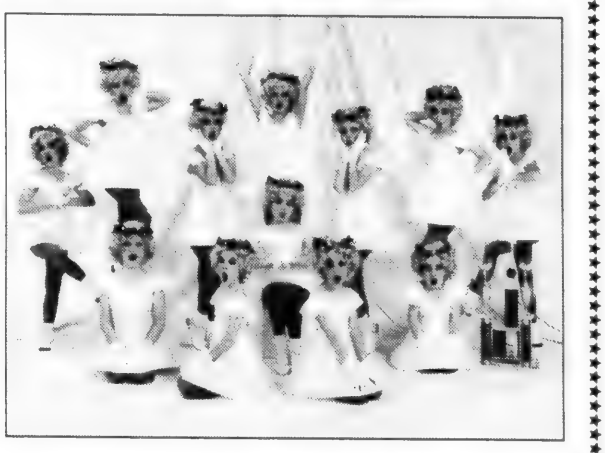
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OBITUARIES

Charles F. Dewhirst Jr.

Owned and operated several area funeral homes

Charles F. Dewhirst Jr., 64, of Methuen and Gilford, N.H., died Wednesday, Aug. 25, at Lakes Region Hospital in Laconia, N.H., following a long illness.

Mr. Dewhirst was born in Lawrence and educated in Lawrence and Methuen schools. He graduated from Edward F. Searles High School in Methuen in 1952 and was a graduate of Tilton Preparatory School in Tilton, N.H. He attended Bates College in Maine and in 1956 graduated from New England Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences with a degree in funeral service.

Mr. Dewhirst owned and operated Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home in Methuen, Dewhirst Funeral Home in Laconia, Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley and Bessom Funeral Home in Andover, and Emmert and Dewhirst Funeral Home in Lawrence.

He was a member of Gilford Community Church, John Hancock Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Methuen, Zion Council, Princes of Jerusalem in Lawrence, Mt. Calvary Chapter, Rose Croix in Lowell, Massachusetts Consistory A.A.R.S. in Boston and Aleppo Temple A.A.N.O.M.S. of Wilmington. He was a member and past master of Tuscan Lodge A.F. & A.M. in Lawrence and a member and past Thrice Potent Master of Lawrence Lodge of Perfection.

He was a member of the Gilford Rotary Club and had served as a district director governors representative for Rotary District 7930. He had served on the Methuen Co-op Bank board of directors.

Mr. Dewhirst was awarded the 33 degree from Northern Masonic Jurisdiction Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in 1987 for his service to the Masonic fraternity and the community.

He was the charter president of Salem/Methuen Rotary Club in 1971 and was made a Paul Harris Fellow by its members in recognition of his service to Rotary and the community.

Members of his family include his wife of 42 years, Barbara H. (Stoehrer) Dewhirst; sons, Richard C. Dewhirst of Methuen and his wife, Lynn C. Dewhirst, Alan W. Dewhirst of North Andover, Glen E. Dewhirst of Laconia, N.H., and John C. Dewhirst of Gilford, N.H.; sister, Virginia Vann of Gilford and her husband Stephen Vann; four grandchildren; one niece; one nephew; and several cousins.

He was the father of the late Amy E. Dewhirst.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Dewhirst Funeral Home in Laconia. Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery in Gilford.

Memorial contributions may be made to Amy's Room at Gilford Community Church, Potter Hill Road, Gilford, N.H. 03246.

Marion Ryan

Was a music teacher with the Carteret, N.J. public schools for 42 years

Marion (Currie) Ryan, 91, died Friday, Aug. 27.

Mrs. Ryan was born in "The Brick Row" section of Carteret, N.J. She was a graduate of Mt. St. Mary Academy in Watchung, N.J., and a member of the first graduating class of Georgian Court College in Lakewood, N.J., in 1929. Mrs. Ryan did postgraduate work at Columbia and New York universities from 1929 through the mid-1940s.

She lived in Woodbridge, N.J., for many years before she moved to Andover several years ago to live with her son and daughter-in-law.

Mrs. Ryan was a music teacher with the Carteret, N.J. public schools for 42 years before her retirement in 1970. During her school years she became a highly accomplished pianist and a featured performer in numerous school shows and recitals. While at Mount St. Mary she began her musical partnership with Jessica Dragonette, who went on to become a world renowned soprano with the Metropolitan Opera. She was often heard on radio stations in New York and New Jersey accompanying Miss Dragonette and in solo performances.

Mrs. Ryan was a parishioner of St. James R.C. Church in Woodbridge.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, William

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Deaths Elsewhere

BARNABY – Robert J. Barnaby, 79, of Haverhill died Monday, Aug. 30, at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen.

Members of his family include his son and daughter-in-law, Gary C. and Nancy Barnaby of Andover.

FAIRBANKS – Bertha (Woodworth) Fairbanks, 95, of Groveland died Saturday, Aug. 28, at Hale Hospital in Haverhill.

Members of her family include her sister, Eva Estes of Andover.

KAELIN – Lorraine M. (Guimond) Kaelin, 77, of Methuen died Monday, Aug. 30, at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen.

Members of her family include her former husband, Martin V. Kaelin of Andover.

PAPPALARDO – Mary D. (Panaro) Pappalardo, 85, died Saturday, Aug. 28, at Hanna Duston Health Care Center.

Members of her family include her sister, Katherine Romatelli of Andover.

RYAN – David J. Ryan, 91, of Chelmsford died Friday, Aug. 27, at Lowell General Hospital.

Members of his family include his son and daughter-in-law, Charles D. and Janice Ryan of Andover.

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OBITUARIES

Marion Ryan

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and Linda Kent Ryan of Andover; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was the widow of William J. Ryan.

A funeral from the Leon J. Gerity Funeral Home in Woodbridge, N.J., on Tuesday was followed by a Mass at St. James R.C. Church. Burial was in St. James Cemetery.

Walter R. Johnson

Was a machinist at the Boston Naval Shipyard for 32 years

Walter R. Johnson, 77, of 50 Holt Road died Thursday, Aug. 26, at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell.

Mr. Johnson was born in Medford and graduated from Somerville High School.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corp during World War II.

Mr. Johnson was a machinist at the Boston Naval Shipyard for 32 years before he retired.

He was a former member of Andover Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge in Somerville.

Members of his family include his twin brother, Arthur Johnson of Andover, and his wife, Joyce Johnson; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Monday at Dewhirst and Conte Funeral Home. Burial was in Sandown-Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, Merrimack Street, Lawrence, MA 01843.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsman* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice. Questions? Call Jack Grady or Taylor Armerding at 475-7000.

Japan to Andover: 1864

By Johanna Santiago
Andover Historical Society intern

A group of professors from Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan, visited the Andover Historical Society last Thursday, Aug. 26. They were interested in researching the past of Joseph Hardy Neesima, founder and first president of Doshisha University. Neesima came to Andover from Japan in 1865 at the age of 21 and studied at Phillips Academy, Amherst College, and Andover Theological Seminary. He lived with the Chandler family on 17 Hidden Road. He returned to Japan in 1874 and founded Doshisha University as a center for a wide range of higher learning.

At the Andover Historical Society Research Center, the men studied the family file on Neesima, the file and pictures of Neesima's former residence at 17 Hidden Road, viewed maps, purchased several items of Andover memorabilia, took copies of all the historical society's information on Neesima and several photos. They were also able to read highlights of the Amos Blanchard House, the historical society's house museum, in Japanese translated by Jennifer Koch-Weser Cullen. After lunch at the Lantern Brunch, the five men visited the home in which Neesima lived while in Andover and took a tour of Phillips Academy, where they viewed the great statue that honors Neesima on the campus grounds.

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one of them. Their cases were continued until today to give Andover and Lawrence police a chance to investigate recent break-ins further.

The public schools will open Wednesday, Sept. 7 with what is expected to be the largest enrollment in their history. From present indications there will be at least 1650 pupils in attendance on the opening day with a large increase in the lower grades throughout the town.

25 Years Ago

Town Manager J. Maynard Austin Tuesday night was reappointed to a three year term in the town's top administrative position by a unanimous vote of the selectmen, meeting in special session. The reappointment marked the first time since the beginning of town manager form of government in Andover that an incumbent was continued in office.

The Andover School Committee voted Tuesday night to appoint Terrance Holmes, junior high principle in the strike-worn Timberlane School District, New Hampshire, as assistant principal at Andover High.

A large number of Andover voters are expected to be drawn to the polls in Tuesday's state primary election by the race for the Democratic nomination as representative for the new all-Andover district. An active campaign in town has been conducted by Atty. Gerald Cohen and Atty. Philip Coppola, who are both running for the nomination.

10 Years Ago

Town Manager Kenneth Mahony downplayed a report that Gov. Michael Dukakis favored another city in competition with Andover for a major industrial plant that would employ over 1,000 workers. Although Mahony says he was initially "very steamed" over Mr. Dukakis' letter to German audio-visual tape manufacturer BASF Corp., which pushed Worcester as a prime plant site, he later discovered the missive was issued long before Andover was involved in the project.

A pilot before-and-after school activities program, called Kids Clubs, will begin in January despite the loss of Joan Pearson, director of the Department of Community Services, to town budget cuts. It is unknown who will run the program in her place once her job is terminated in December of this year.

Developers of the stately Network property are looking to split its palatial grounds into a five-lot "premiere development" that would maintain the lush, sweeping landscape that characterizes the area, thus maintaining the integrity of the million-dollar homes currently existing on South Main Street near Phillips Academy.

— Compiled by Joe Vieira

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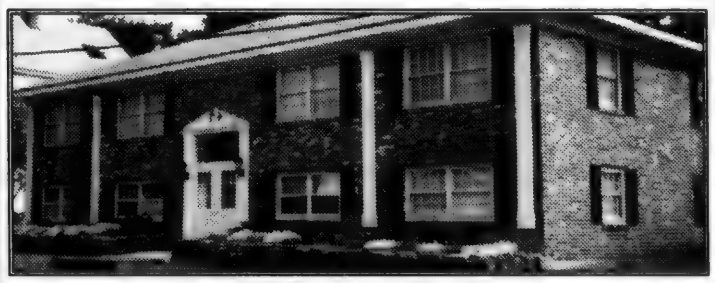
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Business

Business briefs ...

Chamber sets September events

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce has announced several events coming up this month:

The Education and Workforce Development Committee will host a breakfast Thursday, Sept. 9, from 7:30-9 a.m. at the Lanam Club to discuss "How do school districts add value to the learning readiness of their students — your future employees?"

Merrimack College President **Richard Santagati** will moderate, and special guest Dr. **Robert D. Gaudet** will discuss the Community Effects Factor Model used to analyze the MCAS tests. The CEF model is the basis for determining school district effectiveness, by examining selected demographic characteristics and educational outcomes.

The cost, which includes a full breakfast, is $15.

Tuesday, Sept. 14, the Chamber, together with Comfort Suites, will present "A September Luau" marketing mixer, from 5-7 p.m. at the Comfort Suites, 106 Bank Road, Haverhill.

Admission is $8, or $10 for two, and includes complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages, a display table for products and literature.

There will be a raffle with door prizes, compliments of Carrabassett Spring Water, Charity's Photographic Studio, Betsy Chisholm Flowers, Cory Glass, Ed Eich Photographic, Graebel Company, KGR Inc., Pasta for You, Ed Pedi Photography, U.S. Postal Service, Wheelabrator and the Chamber.

The Chamber's Government Affairs Committee will present a special Capital City Report featuring Boston Mayor **Thomas M. Menino** as a special guest speaker, on Thursday, Sept. 23, from 7:30-9 a.m. at the Wyndham Andover Hotel (for-

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Andover's Butler promoted: to Bleu Cow

When a sign goes up next week above the former location of The Butler's Pantry on Barnard Street, Andoverites may begin to wonder, what is a "Bleu Cow?"

The Bleu Cow is the invention of Butler's Pantry owner Brian Arsnow, who decided to look on the destruction of his store by fire this past spring less as a loss and more as an opportunity.

Arsnow bought Butler's Pantry from Jonathan and Toni Weber in June 1998, and since then, ran it much the same way the Webers had for 25 years.

But when the store was damaged by fire in April, Arsnow decided to make it into something he had always envisioned — a gourmet cafe and food store.

Arsnow says the changes were radical enough to warrant a new name for the establishment, and he aimed for a name that said "gourmet" but implied a more fun, upbeat atmosphere; hence, The Bleu Cow.

The sandwiches, cheeses, coffee and pastries patrons have enjoyed in the past will still be available, but the menu will be expanded to include espresso (La Vazza, an Italian brand), and ice cream (from Emack & Bolio), and the store will be expanded to include tables and chairs to accommodate hungry customers.

The store will carry fewer of the kitchen tools of its previous inventory, and focus more on fresh food, but gourmet sauces, oils and condiments will still be available, he says.

"I don't want to be Starbucks, but I want to compete on that level, and to do that you have to offer as good a product or better," Arsnow says.

If the espresso and food served by The Bleu Cow is gourmet enough to walk the walk, the new decor will talk the talk.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Big plans — Brian Arsnow is using last spring's fire at Butler's Pantry as a chance to transform it into The Bleu Cow.

Arsnow hired architect Sylvia Arnold of Sudbury to redesign the interior, which led to structural changes including leveling the floor, exposing windows and brick walls and panes of glass above the front entrance, which had been blocked up.

The new design also includes carefully chosen tables and chairs and strategically placed lighting to create a certain atmosphere, Arsnow says.

'If we're going to do it, let's do it right," he says of his decision to sink money into the redesign of the store. Insurance covered little of the expenses of renovating, he says, but he decided to turn the store into what he had always wanted it to be, even if it meant a personal investment, that went beyond money.

The Bleu Cow will also be open late by Andover standards, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week. A few Butler's staff members are returning, he says, and he plans to hire nearly five more people, including a caterer, who would also work with staff from The Best of Thymes to provide food for The Bleu Cow.

Renovations, which began July 15, would have begun sooner if insurance problems hadn't tied up the project, Arsnow says, but he plans to open the new store Sept. 13.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

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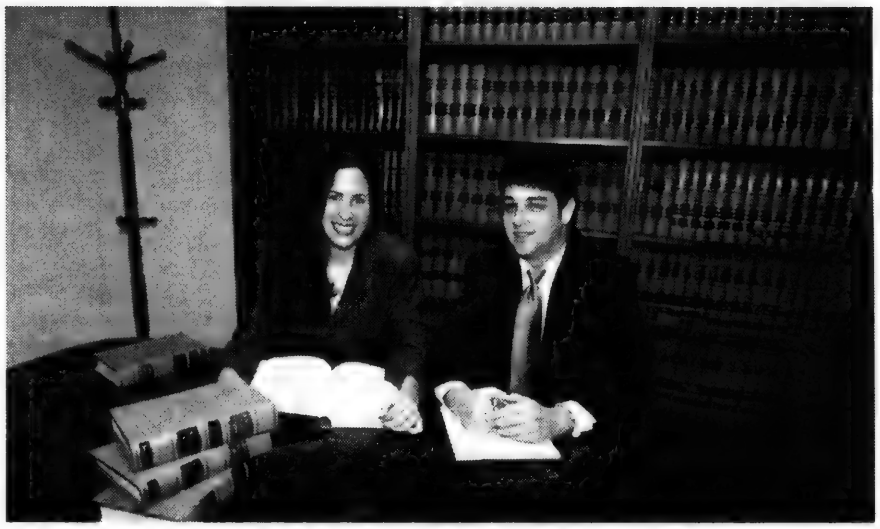
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"We've been a proud resident of the lower Merrimack Valley since our company's founding in 1981," said **Larry Munini**, president of Genesys. "We're glad to have the opportunity to give back to the community by helping to keep the environment clean. As a business located within view of Route 93, we're also interested in helping preserve a favorable image for visitors who pass through our area, many of whom commute up and down Route 93 every day."

The sign announcing Genesys' participation in the "Adopt a Highway" program is located on the southbound side of 93 just before the Dascomb Road exit. Genesys is carrying out the highway cleanup through a contract with Adopt A Highway Litter Removal Services of America (AAHLRSA) of San Francisco.

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Sentillion reaches agreement with 3M

Sentillion Inc., a developer of visual integration software for coordinating multiple health care applications on the clinical desktop, announced a strategic original equipment manufacturer (OEM) agreement with 3M Health Information systems. The agreement further strengthens Sentillion's position as the leading vendor-neutral provider of context management software for the health care industry.

Under the terms of the agreement, 3M Health Information Systems will offer Sentillion's Vergence Context Manager with the 3M Care Innovation computer-based patient record software. The Vergence Context Manager is based upon the recently ratified HL7 Context Management Standard that was initially architected by the Clinical Context Object Workgroup.

"3M is a strong supporter of standards development in health care IT," said **James Burgess**, general manager of 3M Health Information Systems.

"This agreement helps us work toward the goal of making available products that match and enhance the care process. We believe that Sentillion's Vergence technology is a solution that offers CIOs and clinicians an effective way to connect multiple, disparate health care applications We look forward to working with Sentillion and making its standards-based software available to our customers."

John Douglass, vice president of sales and marketing at Sentillion, said, "Through this agreement with Sentillion, 3M is making a commitment to visual integration technology that enables different systems to work together."

Sentillion unveiled its software at the Health Information Management System Society annual conference in February, and launched the Vergence Context Manager with Patient Link capability in July. The HL7 Context Management Standard, a continuation of the work begun by the Clinical Context Object Workgroup, was developed to support the visual integration of disparate health care applications on the clinical desktop and was officially accepted by HL7 in November 1998 as a Special Interest Group for Visual Integration. 3M is a participant in this group.



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Sports

1999 AHS fall varsity team previews: Football, boys soccer, girls volleyball, girls swim & dive, golf

By Rick Harrison

The Townsman begins 1999 Andover High fall varsity sports previews today with football, boys soccer, girls volleyball, girls swim & dive, and golf.

FOOTBALL

The Andover High varsity football team is coming off an 8-2 season during which the Golden Warriors remained in Merrimack Valley Conference title and Eastern Mass. Division 2 Super Bowl contention most of the way.

AHS won its first six games before suffering its only two losses to Lowell (27-18) and eventual MVC champ, Bowl qualifier and traditional Thanksgiving Day rival Central Catholic (36-20).

It shouldn't take long for coach Ken Maglio's 1999 crew to find out where it stands.

The locals launch the season a week from tomorrow night at Billerica (7 p.m., Marshall Middle School field), facing a veteran Indians' team being touted by many as a title contender this fall.

"The Billerica game will tell us a lot," confirmed Maglio. "We'll be in the (title) mix, but Billerica has a lot of skill-position players back. It's a big test right off the bat."

The following Saturday (Sept. 18) the locals will trek to Foxboro High for a non-league game against a first-time opponent.

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The Golden Warriors held the first of three pre-season scrimmages yesterday against Malden Catholic.

Saturday morning AHS will play at Reading (10 a.m.) and a Labor Day scrimmage is scheduled Monday night at Peabody High (6:30 p.m.).

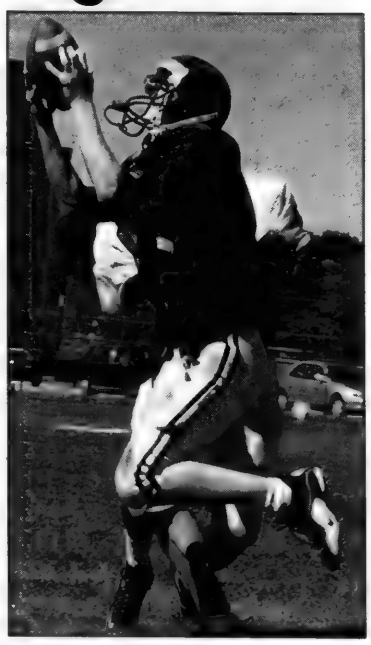
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Key graduates from last year's outstanding Andover team include quarterback/defensive back Rick Johnson, running back Tony Morando and linemen Charlie Daher, Josh Trowbridge, Dave Crandall, Craig Orzechowski, Jim Delaney, Jeff Gaunt and Haig Apelian.

Johnson, an All-Conference and All-Scholastic choice, led the locals in a variety of categories including points scored (74), touchdowns (11) and TD passes (11). Many of his single-season offensive statistics were the best compiled by an AHS quarterback in years.

Morando scored six touchdowns, 40 total points and was the team's top rusher with 712 yards.

"We suited up 105 players for our opening week of practice and so far we're looking pretty good," said Maglio.



Senior wide receiver/defensive back Charles Murnane

The Golden Warriors return 10 players who started all or part of the 1998 season on offense, defense or both ways.

Heading the list of veterans are senior two-way starters and Capts. Mike Giles, Pat Murnane and Luis Santiago.

Giles (5'11", 183 pounds), a running back/defensive back, was second leading AHS scorer last fall with 48 points.

Giles also rushed for 309 yards on 62 carries (5.0 average) and caught 11 passes for 142 yards and two of his eight TDs. On defense, he contributed 42 tackles and three interceptions.

Wide receiver/defensive back Murnane (6'2", 201) caught a team-high seven touchdown passes in 1998. He had 27 catches for 425 yards overall, while defensively Murnane contributed 44 tackles and five interceptions.

Both Giles and Murnane were All-Conference selections.

The diminutive Santiago (5'6", 153), a running back/linebacker, scored one touchdown last year and on defense finished with 57 tackles and two pass interceptions.

Other returning starters are senior fullback/linebacker Matt Beechinor (6'0," 194), junior quarterback/defensive back Danny Hughes (6'0", 168), junior guard/linebacker Andy Gallagher (5'9", 194), junior center/defensive tackle Dave Rosenberg (6'0", 202), senior guard/linebacker Nick Fitzpatrick (5'8", 156), senior center/defensive tackle Mike Burnett (6'1", 231) and junior two-way tackle Anthony Vancini (5'10", 267).

Gallagher was another top tackler with 44 stops including four quarterback sacks.

"Our strength will definitely be at the skill positions with a pair of All-Conference players (Giles and Murnane) leading the way," noted Maglio.

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There are a dozen other lettermen who saw considerable varsity time last fall.

This group includes senior fullback/linebacker Mike Gibson (5'10", 173), senior two-way tackle Dave Guertin (5'9", 212), senior end/defensive back Chris King (5'11", 186), senior tight end/defensive end Sean Lawton (6'3", 179), senior quarterback/defensive back Chris Rogers (6'2", 175), and senior guard/linebacker Adam Spiller (5'9", 206).

Also, senior fullback/linebacker Charlie Tardugno (6'1", 203), senior fullback/linebacker Mike Zizzo (5'11", 203), junior two-way tackle Marty DeFrancisco (6'1", 212), junior tight end/defensive end Kyle Miller (6'1", 193) junior guard/linebacker Dan Nolan (6'0", 168) and junior end/placekicker Casey Rillahan (6'1", 166).

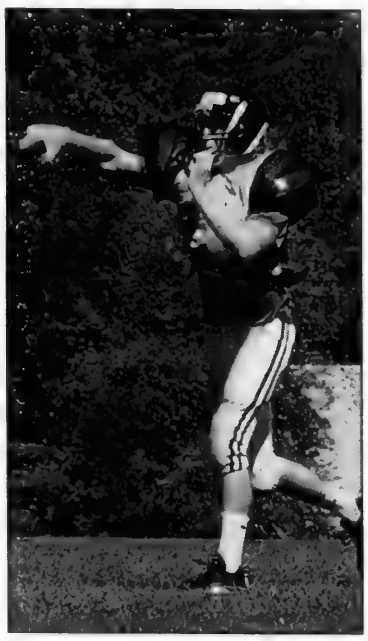
Senior newcomers showing promise are wide receiver/defensive back Charles Murnane, guard/defensive tackle Sam Dadd, split end Jon Martin, end/defensive back Dave Powers, two-way tackle Raphael Moore, defensive back Ted DeInnocentis and two-way tackle Josh Brooks.

"Murnane is and excellent high jumper with good hands and quickness," said Maglio. "He should fit right in at wide receiver.

"Dadd is returning after two years at private school, and Powers hasn't played since his freshman year. Those are two key additions."

Juniors hoping to make an impact are guard/defensive tackle Peter An, guard/defensive tackle Matt Delaney, running back/defensive end Shahriar Ghandchi, split end/defensive back Jon Maloney, running back/linebacker Ben Perkins, split end/defensive back Jason Crabbe, and guard/linebacker Pat Sullivan.

Also, guard/defensive tackle Andy Yurko, two-way tackle Courtney Gianaris, two-way tackle Jon Gardner, running back/defensive back Shawn Gaines, two-way end Adam McCabe and running back/defensive back Vern Trageser.



Senior quarterback/defensive back Chris Rogers

Sophomores getting their first varsity shot are two-way tackle Brian Durie, running back/defensive back Bruce Brown, two-way tackle Alex Gostanian, guard/defensive tackle Evan Hatch, quarterback/defensive back Brian Ullo, running back defensive back Sean Smith and running back/defensive back Chris Callison.

"The quarterback position is up for grabs with a good battle developing among Hughes, Ullo and Rogers," said Maglio.

"Beechinor, Tardugno, Ghanchi and Zizzo all look strong at fullback, and we have three outstanding tailbacks in Giles, Ben Perkins and Bruce Brown.

"Lawton and Pat Murnane will be the tight ends, and the split ends should be Chuck Murnane, King and Martin."

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Assistant coaches are Joe Celia (defensive coordinator), Gary Freker (ends), Tom Kenney (linebackers, wide receivers), Wayne Puglisi (offensive and defensive lines), former University of Michigan standout lineman Joe Marinaro (interior line), Ken Pellerin and Frank Delaney.

Marinaro returns for his second year as a volunteer assistant, while newcomer Kenney was a member of Andover Super Bowl teams (1973-75).

Several former AHS standout players are also helping as alumni volunteer assistants. This group includes Bill Alexander, Craig Traub, Len Driscoll and Justin Connors. Alexander quarterbacked the Golden Warriors during their golden Super Bowl era.

Connors was also a gifted quarterback, Driscoll a two-way lineman and Traub an All-Conference.

"We're inviting a lot of former players back to talk to the kids," said Maglio. "The response has been excellent.

"We're dedicating this year's program booklet to all Andover High alumni football players. We'll have a lot of old pictures and statistics in the booklet that go way, way back. We're also planning an alumni cookout."

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Maglio, who has been with the AHS football program for 27 years, begins his fourth season as varsity head man with a 15-14-1 overall record including 5-5 in 1996 and 2-7-1 in 1997 (four losses by less than 10 points).

BOYS SOCCER

The Andover High boys varsity soccer team has been projected as the one to beat this fall in the Merrimack Valley Conference.

Veteran head coach Dave Amundsen looks at his roster and tends to agree with rival coaches who have installed the Golden Warriors as a favorite.

AHS is coming off a solid 10-4-5 season, which included a 2-0 loss to Framingham in the opening round of the Division 1 North Tournament, and the locals have all but two players returning from that team.

"If we bring everything together and play to our potential it could be a very successful season," said Amundsen, who launches his 24th year at the helm with an impressive overall won-lost-tied record of 278-85-63 with nine league titles captured outright or shared.

"Our major strength is in our experience. We have depth at every position, including goaltender, along with proven scorers and defensive leadership both at midfield and on the back line."

The Golden Warriors will have played six scrimmages before they open the season Monday, Sept. 13 at Dracut.

The initial scrimmage last weekend against Masconomet Regional was a good test, but not as severe as Amundsen expects tomorrow at the Weymouth Jamboree, where AHS will face defending Division 1 state champ Marshfield, B.C. High and 1998 Division 1 state quarterfinalist Weymouth.

Next Monday is the annual Labor Day practice game with

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AHS PREVIEWS

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Middlesex League power Wakefield, and the final pre-season test is Saturday, Sept. 11 against a veteran Bedford High team which reached the state Division 3 semifinals last season.

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Key graduates from last year's team are goalkeeper Bob Rawlinson, midfielder Greg Roy and sweeper Bob Kramer, although Kramer was sidelined most of the season with injuries.

Also gone are Justin LeCam, Dan Gonzalez, Christian Eidem and Matt Brooks.

Rawlinson backboned Andover to nine shutouts in 1998, going the distance in one game and playing about 80 percent of the time in the other eight.

Roy had six goals and five assists while LeCam scored five goals and nine total points.

Topping the list of nine returning starters are the two team captains, senior offensive midfielder Paul Bellacqua and senior midfielder Jon Lakow.

Bellacqua tied for the MVC individual scoring title last fall with 26 points, on 17 goals and nine assists, while Lakow was third high scorer for Andover with six goals and six assists.

Other starters back include senior sweeper Steve Liu, junior stopper Jim Hale, junior defender Geordie Miliotis, senior defender Charlie Gregory, junior striker Josh Gagnon, sophomore striker Mike Grieco and sophomore midfielder Matt Bengston.

Gagnon and Grieco were prolific scorers as underclassmen with nine goals each, Gagnon adding four assists and Grieco three.

Bengston contributed five goals and Hale netted four.

Other lettermen among this fall's 52 original candidates are sophomore defender Jon Konjoian, senior midfielder Andy Lapsa, senior goalkeeper Chris Morrissey and junior goalie Dan Bellacqua.

Morrissey played a part in eight of the nine shutouts.

"Even though Rawlinson graduated we should be all set in goal with Chris and Dan," said Amundsen. "It's just a matter of playing the right guy at the right time."

Three newcomers round out the varsity roster.

Senior defender Scott Mackin is up from the JV squad, sophomore midfielder Chris Brouillard played on the freshman team last fall, and sophomore forward Felippe Ricci has moved to Andover from Brazil.

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Assistant coaches are Mike Wartman (JV) and Jim Saalfrank (freshmen).

Andover, which has won or shared nine league titles and qualified for the Division 1 North Tournament 18 of the last 19 seasons, will again co-host the Andover/North Andover Kickoff Classic scheduled Sept. 24 and 26.

The four-team tournament begins Friday at Lovely Field with games at 6 and 8 p.m., Andover versus Pentucket Regional and North Andover versus Haverhill.

Andover plays North Andover and Haverhill plays Pentucket on Sunday, with won-lost record determining the champ (goal differential is the tiebreaker).

Last year the Golden Warriors blanked Austin Prep, 3-0, and tied North Andover, 1-1.

AHS enters the 1999 season with a six-game conference unbeaten streak (3-0-3), having finished last year with a 7-0 win over Haverhill, consecutive ties against Lowell (2-2), Billerica (2-2) and Chelmsford (1-1), and wins versus Methuen (5-0) and Dracut (4-3).

"Lowell should be very strong in the MVC this year," said Amundsen. "Chelmsford did a number on us in summer league play, and Central is our nemesis team. They always play us tough (3-3 tie and 3-1 loss to Central last fall).

"Methuen and Haverhill will be improved, although probably not enough to be title contenders," added Amundsen. "Dracut and Billerica have fallen off a little, and Tewksbury has struggled for a couple years and probably will again."

Because of this weekend's busy pre-season schedule, with the Weymouth Jamboree and Wakefield scrimmage, the annual Alumni Game (usually Saturday) has been cancelled this year.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Coming off its winningest season ever (19-3), the defending Merrimack Valley Conference Division 2 champion Andover High girls varsity volleyball team is hoping to repeat that success this fall.

And — with all but two players returning — the mission is far from impossible.

"I'm really excited about the season," said co-head coach George Sullivan. "We have a lot of experience. Several of our girls played all winter and were also members of the Northeast (scholastic division) team in the Bay State Games this summer."

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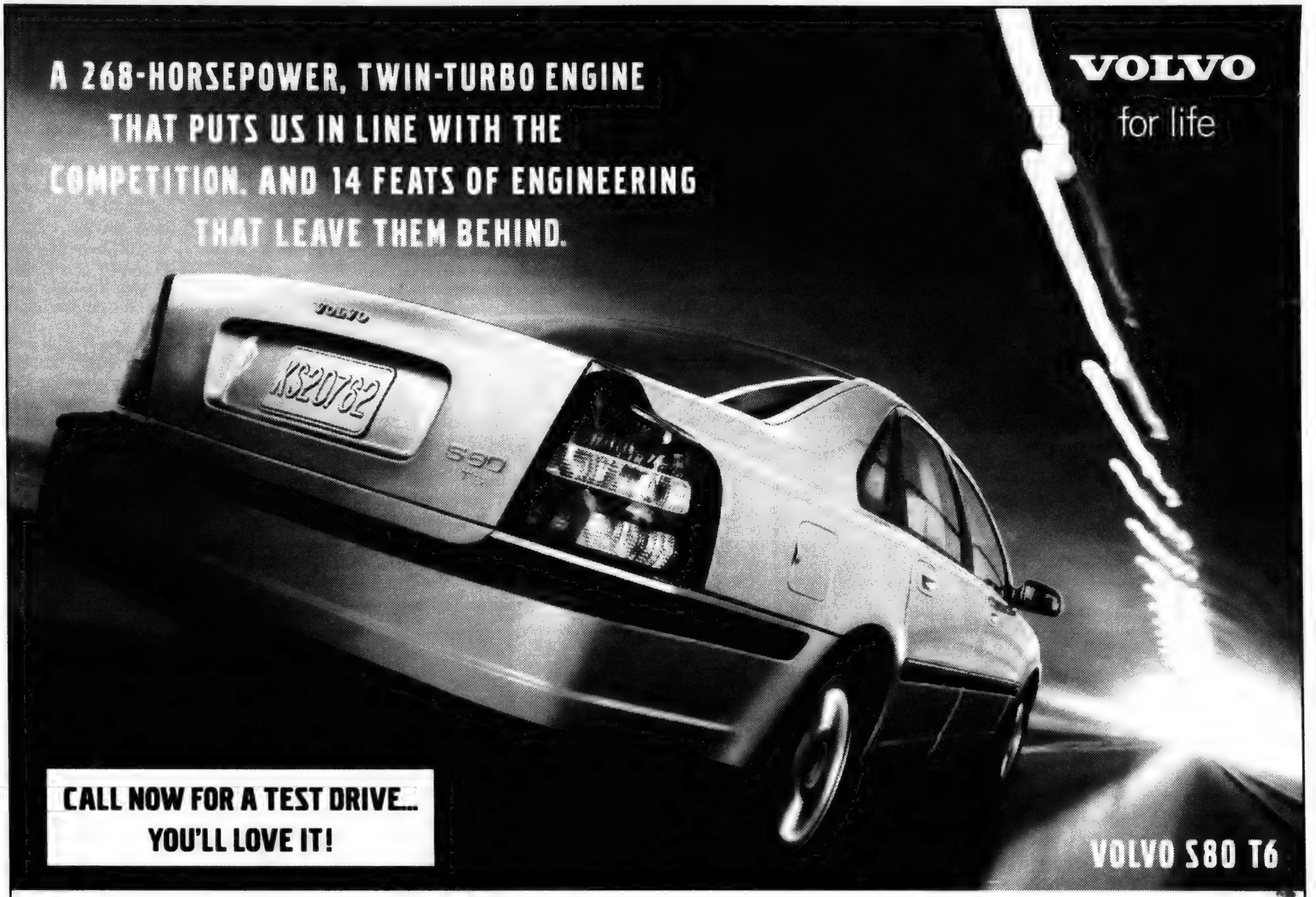
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NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center.

FIX IT SHOP

The fix-it shop will reopen Tuesday, Sept. 7, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Any senior who has a small household item or appliance they would like the volunteers to look at is welcome to bring it to the Senior Center during these hours.

RECEPTION FOR NEW KITCHEN STAFF

Join us Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 9:30 a.m. to welcome two new additions to the Senior Center staff, Karen Trefrey and Barbara Lightfoot. The center is happy to have their culinary talents and expertise on staff. Refreshments will be served.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Dr. Margery Silver, a licensed psychologist and instructor at Harvard Medical School, will talk to the Parkinson's Disease support group Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 1:30 p.m. about the stressors faced by those with Parkinson's and their caregivers. All are welcome.

NEEDLEART CLASS

Experienced or beginning stitchers are welcome to the 10-week needleart class that begins Monday, Sept. 13, at 1:45 p.m. Bring your own project or the instructor, Carolyn Mattedi, will help set you up with one. Cost of the class is $20. Various techniques, such as cross stitch, needlepoint, embroidery and painted canvas will be taught. Call Carolyn at 470-0357.

WOODCARVING CLASS

Fred Arakelian will begin a 10-week woodcarving class Monday, Sept. 13, at 9 a.m. Cost is $20. Some carving experience is helpful. Call the center to register or call Fred at 475-4983 for more information.

CANOE TRIP

A half-day guided canoe trip down the Ipswich River is planned for Monday, Sept. 13. Reservations are necessary. The $15 cost will include guide, canoe rental and bus transportation from the center. Take your physical stamina into account if you are interested in this trip.

NEWCOMERS' COFFEE

Any senior not familiar with the programs and services offered by the Senior Center is invited to drop by the newcomers' coffee hour Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 9:30 a.m.

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This recent hit movie will be shown Monday, Sept. 13, at 1 p.m. The movie, starring Kevin Costner and Robin Wright Penn, is based on the best-selling novel by Nicholas Sparks. No reservations are necessary.

VISITING ARTIST SERIES

Sue Daly will be the visiting artist Tuesday, Sept. 14, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. She will demonstrate watercolor using triads. The cost is $5 and preregistration is appreciated. The monthly demonstrations are open to anyone who enjoys watching an artist at work.

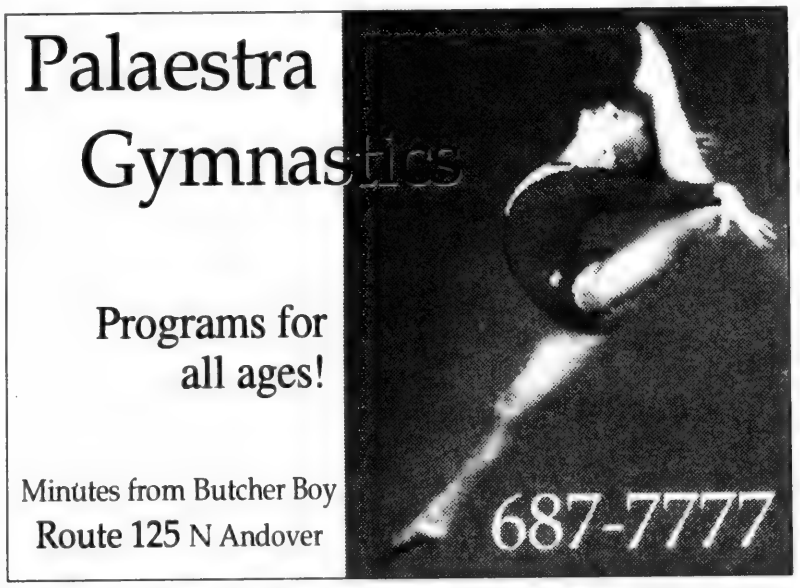
AARP MEETING

The AARP group will meet Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 1:30 p.m. at the center. Peter Johnson-Staub will address the topic of Y2K.

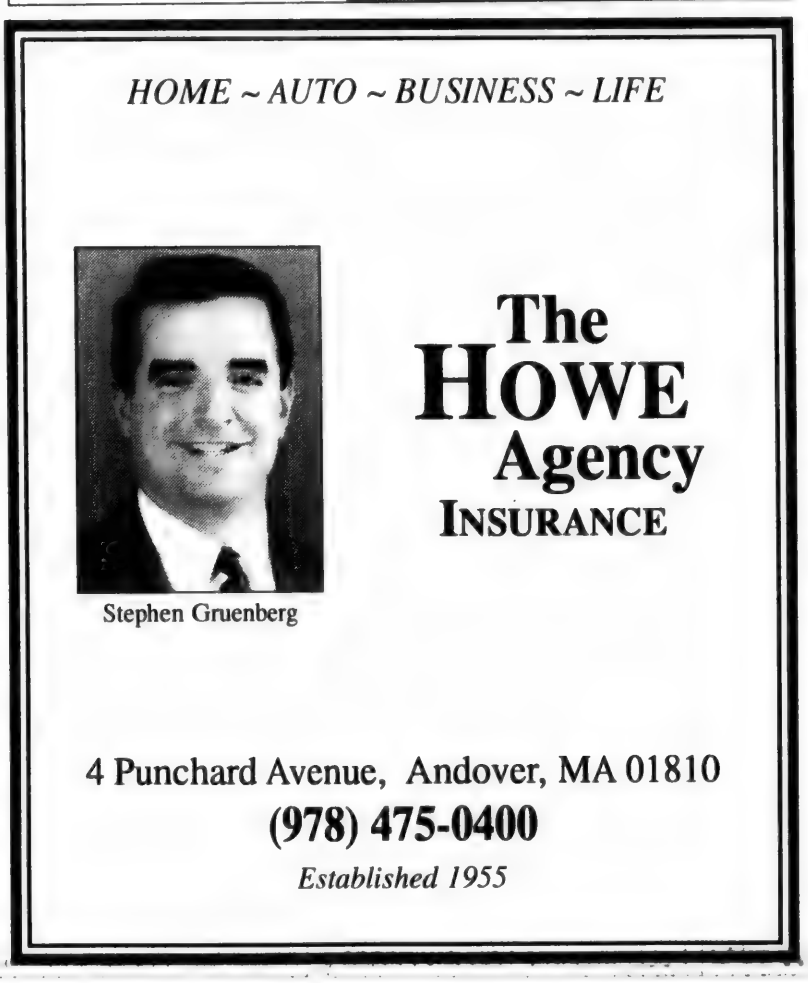
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BUTTERFLY PLACE AND FRUITLANDS TEA ROOM

A trip to the beautiful Butterfly Place, followed by lunch at Fruitlands Tea Room and a tour of the Fruitlands Museums, is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 16. Cost is $27 to be paid at time of reservation.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The men's breakfast will resume Friday, Sept. 17, at 8:30 a.m. Panel members Marianne Quirk, R.N., Reiki master; Chris Stucchi, doctor of chiropractic, and Paul Madden, R.N., licensed acupuncturist, will discuss alternative health options. All senior men are welcome. Cost is $3, call the center for a reservation.

HEARING LOSS FORUM

The Northeast Independent Living Program will present a free hearing-loss forum Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 1:30 p.m. Topics will include hearing aids, reputable dealers, equipment demonstration, communication tips, free phone equipment and legal rights. Call the center if you would like to attend.

Stroke Support Group to meet Thursday, Sept. 16

The Easter Seals Merrimack Valley Area Stroke Support Group will meet Thursday, Sept. 16, at 1:30 p.m. at the Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St. The group will be planning for next year. For more information, call Paul Chedekel, stroke support group coordinator, at 475-3298.

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WHAT'S UP

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It was a sensational summer of back flips, swimming, whipped cream pies, sand, sun, laughs, Shake 'n' Bakes[1], and fistfuls of fun.

[1] *Shake 'n' Bake, named after the popular bread crumb batter, is when an individual runs into the ocean, runs back up to the dry sand, rolls around until completely covered, and then back into the ocean to wash off the sand.*

The AYS summer staff members appreciate all of the awesome young people who "got on the bus" and went body-surfing, face-stuffing at Hometown Buffet, lazer-tagging, rope-swinging, kayak-tipping, trail-clearing, and deep-sea fishing with us all summer long.

▶ *For more information about WHAT'S UP, call Bill Fahey, Andover Youth Services director, at 623-8241; or Jack Grady, Townsman assistant editor, at 475-7000.*
E-mail WHAT'S UP submissions to: jgrady @andovertownsman.com

BIRTHS

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are Larry and Sandy Viens of Methuen and Tom and Mary Ciaccia of Andover. Great-grandparents are Joe and Rose Ciaccia of Philadelphia, Pa., Helen DeBurro of North Andover and Alice Brocato of Lawrence.

Allyson has a sister, Melanie Jean, 3½.

WELCH – A daughter, Skyler Joy, born to Jerome and Janna (Perron) Welch of Methuen on Aug. 11 at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital in Melrose. Grandparents are Beverly Perron of 64 North St. and the late Rudolph A. Perron, and Sophia Welch-James of 11 Crescent Drive. Skyler has two siblings, Hailey, 3¼, and Griffin, 2.

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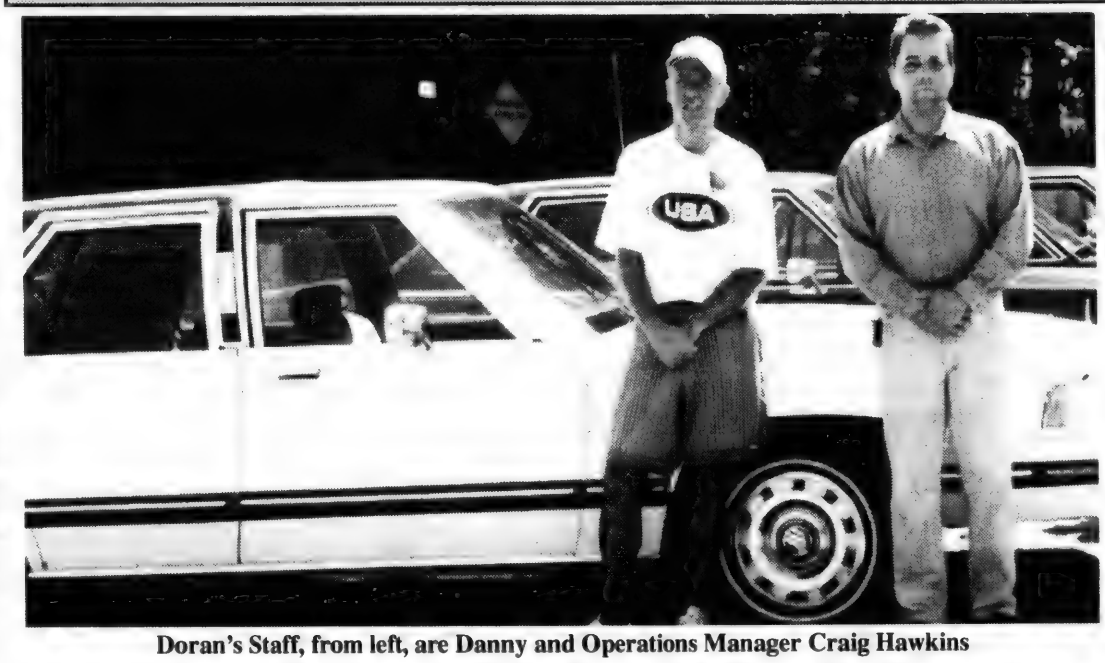
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an MVC Division 2 opponent last year, All that separated the locals from a perfect 20-0 regular season were a pair of tough 2-1 losses to traditional Division 1 powers Dracut and Chelmsford.

Andover then beat Masconomet Regional 3-1 in the opening round of the Division 1 North Tournament, before dropping a 3-0 decision to Chelmsford with all three games close (16-14, 15-10, 15-13).

The 1999 campaign opens Monday, Sept. 13 against non-league Westford Academy at the Dunn Gym.

The Lady Warriors played a scrimmage match earlier this week against Salem, N.H., and have another pre-season match next Wednesday at Stoneham.

Tomorrow five teams invade the Dunn for the first of two Play Days hosted by Andover, with the second scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 11 with 10 schools participating.

"We were very aggressive in the scrimmage with Salem," said Sullivan. "Our serving and passing were strong and our outside hitters were excellent. That was especially encouraging because Salem had been practicing for two weeks and we'd only been out a few days.

"We had excellent leadership and built team unity as last season went along," said Sullivan. "This year the same type of solidarity has been with us since the first day of practice."

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AHS, which has qualified for the tournament in 12 of Sullivan and co-head coach Art Iworsley's 13 seasons, had a smallish original turnout of 25 candidates.

Five more athletes have since come out and Sullivan expects others to show after school opens next Tuesday.

Although tryouts are open and are judged fairly, one reason for the numbers may be that so many varsity players were returning.

"We're also trying to start up a freshman program," said Sullivan. "A few MVC schools already have frosh teams and it would be a good feeder for us."

The key graduates from last year were middle hitter and conference Division 2 MVP Janice Coppolino and back-row defender Kaitlyn Sciolla.

Coppolino will concentrate on basketball during her freshman year at Framingham State, preferring to use the fall semester to get acclimated to college life.

Five 1998 starters return including senior setter Lindsey Pearson, senior middle hitter Michelle Danis, junior outside hitter Robin Young, sophomore outside hitter Julianne Marvin and junior setter Michelle Leahy.

Pearson, a three-year starter, and Danis are team captains.

Young and Marvin played all winter and were joined by Leahy in the Bay State Games.

Other letterwinners from last fall are senior hitter Kristin Sweeney, senior defenders Kate Gurry and Leah Spires (Bay State participant), and sophomore middle hitter Shannon Sweeney.

Varsity newcomers are sophomore middle/outside hitter Megan Pinksten and sophomore outside hitter Kristen Swoboda.

Two junior defenders, Amanda Camelio and Maura McCurdy, are expected to split time between the varsity and junior varsity.

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Non-league opponents this year will once again be Newton South (one match), Westford (two) and Lexington (two).

"There are no soft touches in the MVC," said Sullivan. "Chelmsford will be a power again, while Methuen and Haverhill could have their strongest teams ever.

"Dracut has a new coach, Kim Page, and they'll always be tough. Lowell may challenge and the other teams (Billerica, Lawrence, Central Catholic, Tewksbury and Notre Dame Academy) should all be competitive."



◀ Leah Spires (No. 44) at practice last week. Tomorrow, Friday, five teams invade Dunn Gym for the first of two Play Days hosted by AHS. On Saturday, Sept. 11, 10 schools will participate.

Andover will enter the season riding a four-match MVC win streak put together at the end of last year.

GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

The Andover High girls swimming and diving program continues to flourish.

Each year top athletes leave — but each year the incoming freshman are better and better.

It's a progression that could net the Lady Warriors a Merrimack Valley Conference title and possibly a state championship in the not-too-distant future.

"It's going to be an exciting season," said eighth-year coach Marilyn Fitzgerald. "We have one more meet than last year and we're hoping to better our record."

That may be difficult because AHS finished 9-2 in 1998 and will once again have its hands full with perennial state powers Acton-Boxboro and Chelmsford (1-2 finishers at All-State Meet last November).

Belmont, the new addition to the schedule, is no slouch having finished just behind AHS at last year's All-State Meet.

"We have awesome team spirit and the girls are working together really well," said Fitzgerald. "They know what's expected of them.

"It's scary, but we have freshmen who are swimming state qualifying times in our pre-season trials."

The Lady Warriors will have their annual Blue-Gold scrimmage meet a week from tomorrow (Sept. 10) at their home Greater Lawrence Tech pool.

The season opener is a stern test as the locals host non-league rival and multi-time defending All-State champ Acton-Boxboro on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

A-B handed Andover one of its two dual-meet defeats last year, hammering the Lady Warriors 118-68 in the season opener.

AHS then clicked off nine straight wins before losing the regular season finale to undefeated Chelmsford in their MVC title showdown.

Andover placed fourth in the North Sectionals and a best-ever fifth in the All-State Meet.

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The locals graduated many top performers including three-time MVC and two-time North Sectional one-meter diving champ Caroline Crocker, who also placed second at the All-State Meet and holds virtually every school record in her specialty.

Crocker is now at Williams College where she continues her diving career.

Also gone are Allison St. Jean (UMass-Amherst), Pam Muller (UMass-Dartmouth), Meghan Twohig, Liz Bigelow (Trinity), Rachel Cohen (UMass-Amherst), Julie Conn (URichmond), Lauren Davis (UDelaware), Julie Hayner (Villanova), Katie Henry (UNew Hampshire), Stephanie Manners (UMass-Amherst), Arlene Nardone (UMass-Amherst) and Jackie Sawyer (UMass-Amherst).

Andover enjoyed the unique distinction of having four of these seniors named National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (NISCA) Academic All-Americans.

"To be eligible a student-athlete must have a grade-point average of 3.75 (out of 4.00) in all eight of her high school semesters (freshman through senior)," explained Fitzgerald. "All four of our girls were close to 4.00 and all were in the top 16 in their graduating class."

The honorees, who were notified in late June, were Crocker, Bigelow, Hayner and Sawyer.

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The seniors (best events in parentheses) among the 48 girls on this year's squad include Capts. Alexis Caselle (mid-distance freestyle), Krit Kearins (diver) and Krissy O'Neill (breaststroke).

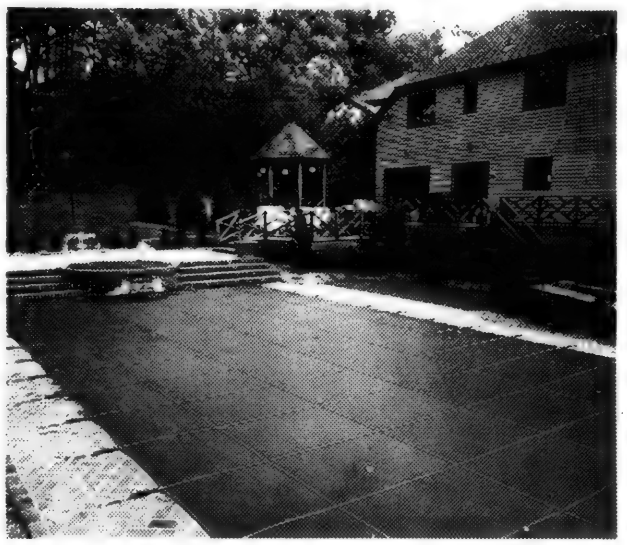
They are joined by Cara Chiaraluce (breast, free), Jessica Greene (breast), Ali Munroe (backstroke, free), Katya Yerozolimsky (butterfly, mid-distance free) and Michelle Zaiter (fly).

Juniors are Katie Buckley (back, sprint free), Jen Busby (diver), Nina Conn (mid-distance free), Beth Couture (sprint free), Erin Daly (diver), Kaitlin Doyle (diver), Gretchen Fuhr (diver), Lauren Kapelson (back, IM), Kerry O'Brien (free), Hillary Schofield (breast) and Lesley Yen (sprint free).

Sophomores are Allison Bentley (mid-distance free), Holly Boucher (sprint free, IM, back, breast), Sally Brown (mid- and long-distance free), Ellie Browne (back), Erica Duvadjian (sprint free), Kristin Elsmore (diver), Melissa Griffin (free, back), Becky Haas (diver), Kaitlin Haugh (mid-distance free) and Dana Henderson (free).

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The freshman class consists of Jen Borden (fly, IM), Connie Brown (fly, back), Christina Caselle (mid-distance free), Monika Eghbalian (fly), Caitlin Geary (breast, distance free), Caitlin Hamer (sprint free), Lauren Harlow (back), Holly Hinds (mid-distance free, breast) and Dana Medaglio (breast, back).

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All-American Sally Brown set school records while finishing second in both the 200-yard free (1:51.75) and 500 free (5:03.42) at last year's All-State Meet.

At the North Sectionals, Brown won the 200 free in a meet-record time and placed second in the 500 free.

Holly Boucher won the 50 free and placed third in the 100 breaststroke at the 1998 North Sectionals, and she was second to Haverhill's Paige Crimmin in the 50 free and third in the 100 free at the All-State Meet.

Busby finished third and Kearins sixth in the North Sectional diving, while Busby was fifth and Kristen Elsmore ninth at the All-State Meet.

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"Once again Mary (Schissel) has an outstanding group of divers," said coach Fitzgerald. "They're going to score a lot of points for us this season, and I can see both Jen (Busby) and Krit (Kearins) finishing top five in the state.

"Every school with a girls swim team would love to have one or two outstanding divers. We seem to have at least four or five every year. Mary does a fantastic job with them."

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• Fitzgerald enters the 1999 season with an outstanding 48-24 dual-meet record (.667). The milestone 50th win should come quickly.

• In addition to the Blue-Gold scrimmage, other activities on the pre-season agenda include a cookout and a photographic scavenger hunt that includes trying to get a picture taken with an Andover police officer.

GOLF

The Andover High golf team will enter the 1999 season riding a 57-match Merrimack Valley Conference undefeated streak.

The Golden Warrior linksmen are 56-0-1 since losing a 7-5 decision to Haverhill on Sept. 29, 1995.

They are also 105-3-3 in their last 111 conference matches and have lost only eight times in the last 141 matches (129-8-4).

AHS has won or shared the MVC title six straight years and eight of the last 10 seasons.

In addition to its 17-0 dual-match record last fall, the locals defended their title in the Division 1 North Sectionals and placed seventh in the All-State Team Championships at Springfield Country Club.

Now in his 31st year at the helm, coach Bob Lawson has directed the locals to 12 league titles overall and 21 tournament berths.

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Although hit harder by graduation than they have been in many years, the Golden Warriors are still the odds-on favorite to win yet another conference crown.

Eight seniors left for college, military service or the work force, including regular starters Tim and Mike Sheehy, Jin-Soo Joo, Nick Branzetti, Kevin Barry and Christian Sempere.

This year's captains, seniors Alex Berger and Mark Russo, were spot starters last year.

They are joined on the varsity by six other returning lettermen including juniors Rick Umlah, Nick Berger and sophomores J.J. Herling, Jon Ofria, Tim LeGrow and Dan Lentz.

Newcomers are sophomores Derek Barenboim and Peter Burbank, along with freshmen Brian Alvarico and Andy Haak.

Herling won the Junior Rogers Tournament championship this summer, while Alvarico was the Junior-Junior Division Rogers champ.

"We will be competitive," said coach Lawson. "We have some fine young players who are learning what it takes to win a high school golf match.

"As a group they have done very well and been impressive in practice — but you never know how each will react until the first tight match.

"Andover golf has built a rich tradition over the years, with players like Dave Shaffer (attending Northwestern) and Rob Oppenheim (Rollins College). That is a definite plus.

"The prognosis for this team? We appear to have a very healthy child here," said Lawson.

Lawson feels Lowell, with the addition of incoming freshman standout Joey Miller, will be a title threat along with Billerica and Haverhill.

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A petition has been presented to said Court alleging that said ERIC F. VOSS is a mentally ill person, and praying that BARBARA S. VOSS and FRANCIS J. VOSS, JUNIOR, both of Andover in the County of Essex or some other suitable persons, be appointed his guardians.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenooon on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1999

Witness, EDWARD J. ROCKETT, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of August, 1999.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register
September 2, 1999

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To all persons interested in the estate of ISABELLE M. DOBBIE otherwise known as ISABELLE DOBBIE late of the County of Essex Date of Death, July 7, 1999

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by ELINOR J. FLYNN of Andover in the County of Essex, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem Probate Court, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON September 27, 1999.

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date August 23, 1999.

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1 Jeffrey N. Berube bought **Unit 5, 20 Colonial Drive** for $64,500, from John T. Lu. The mortgage is with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc.

2 Jerome F. Crowley, Jr. bought **2 Cricket Circle, Lot 17** for $355,500, from Cameron R. Salmon. The mortgage is with Accubanc Mortgage Corp.

3 Andrew E. Nicholson bought **24 Argilla Road, Lot 10** for $289,900, from Rand W. Gesing, Jr. The mortgage is with Countrywide Home Loans Inc.

4 Mark Jerry bought 354 **N. Main St., Unit 314** for $73,000, from Charles A. Dicapua. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

5 David K. Eikenberry bought **8 Judson Road** for $500,000, from Roger F. Steinert. The mortgage is with US Trust.

6 James L. Conlon bought **Unit 20, 53 Martingale Lane** for $395,000, from James M. Barenboim. The mortgage is with First Essex Bank FSB.

7 Janine A. Mulligan bought **Colonial Drive, Unit A2-7** for $92,500, from Jeds Realty Trust. The mortgage is with First Franklin Financial Corp.

8 Alan E. Skolnick bought **Unit 2, 64 Poor St.** for $419,900, from Mark Conserva. The mortgage is with Mortgage Master Inc.

9 Paul W. Clancy bought **17 Wildwood Road** for $280,000, from Charles K. Wetherill. The mortgage is with Crestar Mortgage Corp.

10 Contemporary Builders, Inc. bought **81 Bailey Road, Lot 37** for $275,000, from Mary B. Harper. The mortgage is with Northmark Bank.

11 Andrea I. Gimbel bought **2 Freemont Lane, Lot 1** for $612,900, from Bradford Glen Inc. The mortgage is with Bank of America.



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This home, at 2 Freemont Lane, was recently sold for $612,900.

12 William C. Oheany bought **12 Sherbourne St., parcels 1 & 2** for $646,000, from Kenneth Pedini.

13 Samuel Mesiti bought **16 Balmoral St., Unit 220** for $94,500, from Paula C. Carpenito. The mortgage is with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc.

14 Andrew W. Bourassa bought **Unit 410, 16 Balmoral St.** for $85,000, from Charles F. Pollard. The mortgage is with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc.

15 Paul J. St. Hilaire bought **96 Dascomb Road, Lot 5** for $175,000, from Summer Trust. The mortgage is with First National Bank of Ipswich.

16 Stephen R. Knott bought **Lovejoy Road, Lot 22** for $245,000, from Vladmir Starzhevskiy.

17 Nancy L. Jones bought **Unit 3, 55 High St.** for $91,200, from Constance A. MacIntosh. The mortgage is with First Eastern Mortgage Corp.

18 Jacinta Menezes bought **178 Salem St., Lot 3** for $204,000, from Cuncolim Family Trust. The mortgage is with Washington Mutual Bank FA.

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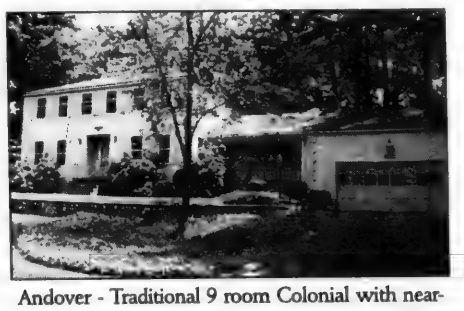
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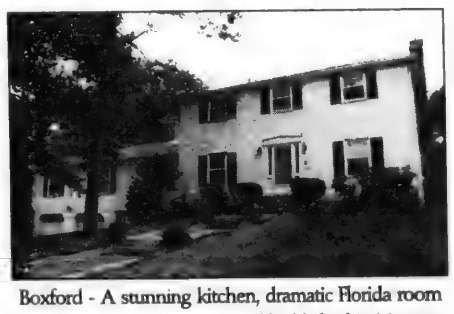
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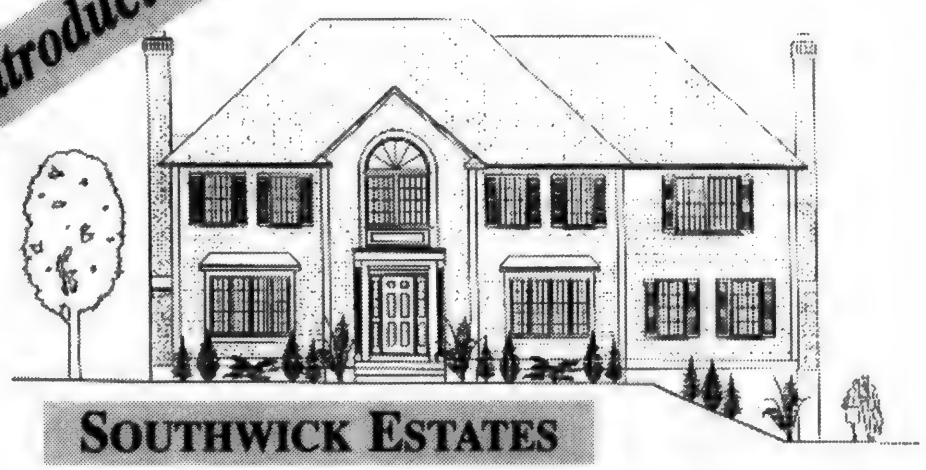

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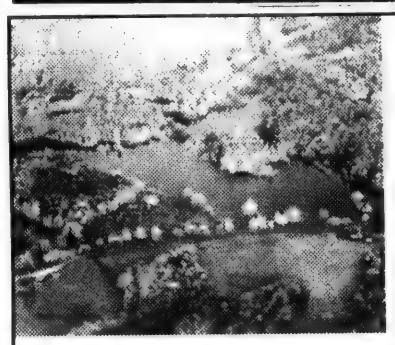
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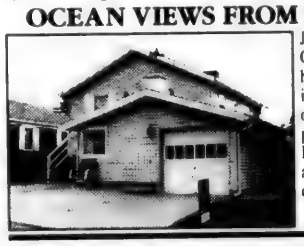

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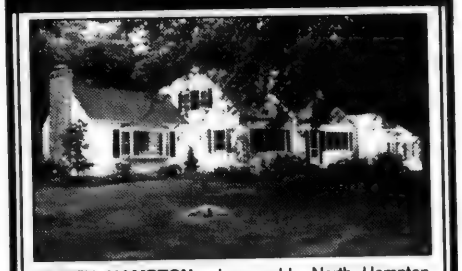

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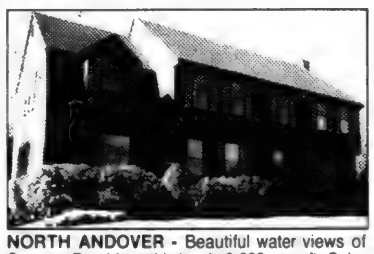
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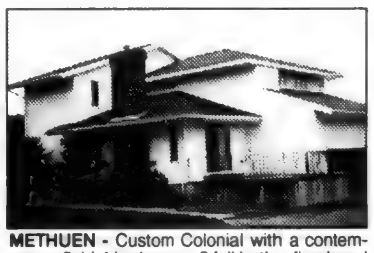
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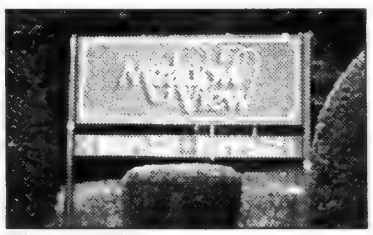
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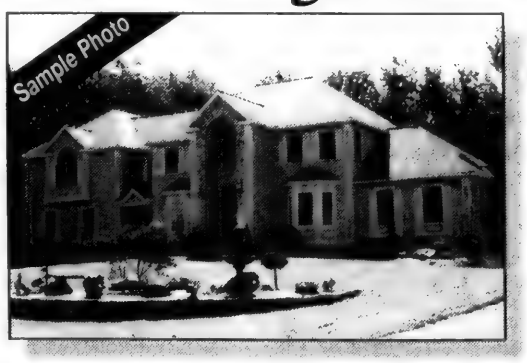
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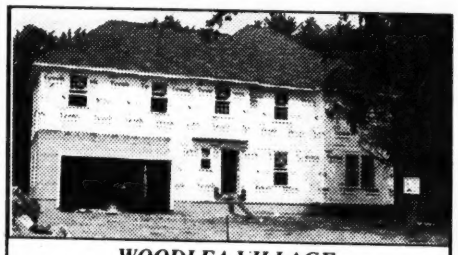
In exciting young neighborhood! Smashing 7 room, 2.5 bath Colonial with 1 car garage attached. Great floor plan, lots of natural light, front-to-back living room/ dining room with fireplace, vaulted ceiling in family room, hardwood floors through out first floor.... don't delay!
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Incredible space & appeal! 10 room home on gorgeous corner lot. Ideal for extended family with 2 kitchens, 3 full baths, 2 car garage, 2 tiered deck and oval pool. Must be seen!
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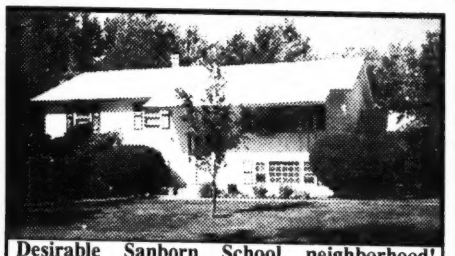
Super value in new construction! Custom designed and quality built Colonial on woodsy lot in walk to town location! Large eat-in kitchen, family room, hardwood floors through out first level, 4 spacious bedrooms, 2.5 baths, garage, patio & more. Better hurry!
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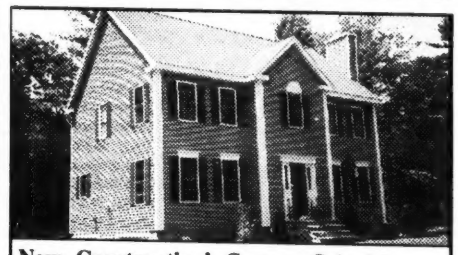
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2 new models under construction! Wooded cul-de-sac! 2,550+ sf homes, super master suites, all town services. Great access to highways and shopping. Quick close! Make your selections now! Off Chestnut St. near Rea St.
Call 475.2201 **Exclusive starting at $374,900**



3 Family with Commercial Space
ANDOVER Totally renovated property in historic Ballardvale. 3/4/8 rooms all with private entries and yards, ample parking and great curb appeal! Unique find in this top location! 189-191 Andover Street
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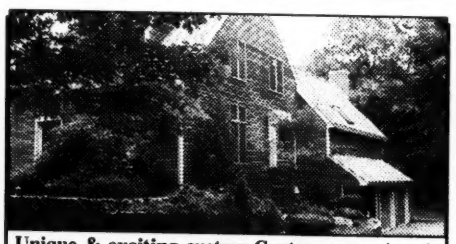
Desirable Sanborn School neighborhood! Fabulous 9 room home, with space for everyone, includes a private level ideal for guests, in-law or au pair! 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, huge deck for outdoor living... a must see!
Call 475.2201 **Exclusive $374,900**



New Construction! Custom Colonial now being built in estate setting in the Sargent School district. 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, fireplaced family room and 2 car garage. Sited on 1.57 acres with plenty of privacy!
Call 475.4477 Exclusive Starting at $379,900



On elegant small circle! Just 2 years old! Smashing Colonial with open floor plan, gleaming maple floors, 2 story foyer, high ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, walk-out lower level ready for expansion. Gorgeous landscaped lot with underground sprinkler system! Better hurry!
Call 475.2201 **Exclusive $459,900**



Unique & exciting custom Contemporary in private 2+ acre setting! Bright, open and spacious with 2 story glass atrium, huge cathedral ceiling kitchen with skylights, 1st floor master suite with deck, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, central air. Exceptional find!
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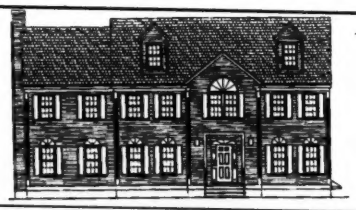
You will love the neighborhood... and the great living space in this handsome 9 room Colonial located on a beautiful small cul-de-sac in the Indian Ridge Country Club area. 23' fireplaced family room, cathedral ceiling solarium with lots of windows and view of large, private back yard... better hurry!
Call 475.2201 **Exclusive $529,900**



Phillips Academy area neighborhood! Outstanding Tudor Colonial with 10 impressive rooms, 27' cathedral ceiling solarium surrounded by numerous decks, 27' eat-in kitchen opens to fireplaced family room, huge great room with wet bar, underground sprinklers... perfect choice!
Call 475.2201 **Exclusive $659,900**



On exquisite cul-de-sac! Sprawling almost 5,000 sf Cape with 2 story foyer, easy flowing floor plan - formal living room and dining room with custom wood floors, sunny eat-in kitchen opens to fireplaced family room with built-ins, sun room, spectacular finished lower level, 4 full & 2 half baths, central air. Exceptional!
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Be in on the ground floor! 11 new homes to be built in a new neighborhood with a country flavor & tall trees. 2 cul-de-sacs, 2 experienced builders and a variety of exciting plans!
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Exclusive starting at $585,000



Marcel Breuer designed Contemporary
Breathtaking 2.18 acre estate setting, yet minutes to town. Built in 1957 and well preserved. It offers a 36' x 20' living room/dining room, 3 bedrooms with adjoining family activity area plus private master with views of walled in fish pond - A GEM!
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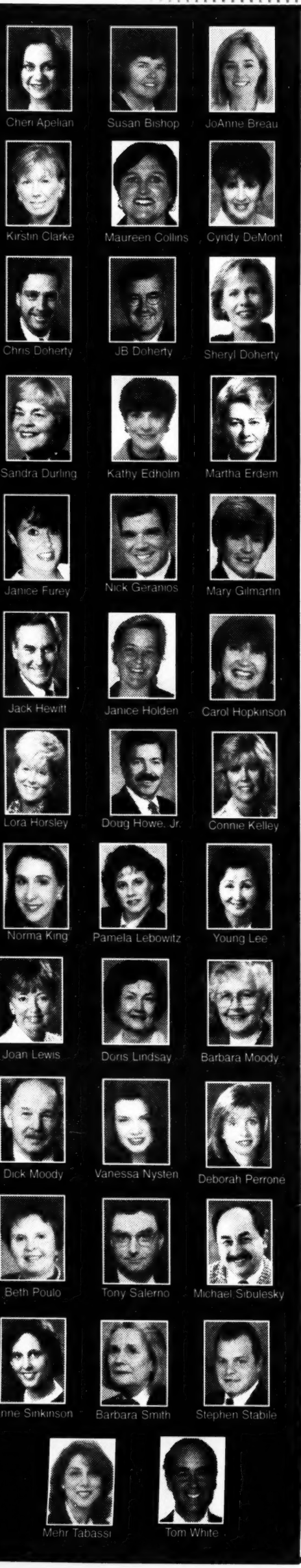


FOXGLOVE ESTATE Exquisite 4.99 acres with views of rolling meadows -just a minutes from Phillips Academy. Exceptional craftsmanship through out this 5,600+ sf Colonial. with 12 breathtaking rooms, 5 or 6 bedrooms, 4 full and 2 half baths, 3 car garage and 44' x 38' barn with 6 stalls.
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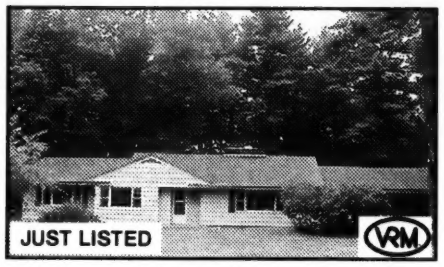
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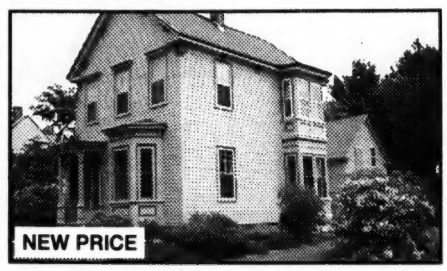
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ANDOVER - Beautifully updated 7 room Ranch on quiet street. Glass enclosed family room addition with cathedral ceilings and slider to deck. The fireplaced dining area is adjacent to kitchen. Spacious living room with stunning floor to ceiling brick wall/fireplace.The master suite with dressing area has a full bath. New paint, inside and out. New wall to wall, 2 generous bedrooms, and private yard. A new listing by Jack Hewitt VRM 32. Seller to consider offers in range **$244,900 - $284,876.**



NORTH ANDOVER - Meadowood, Nearly new, this light and bright 6 room Colonial awaits. Great eat-in kitchen, fireplaced living room, 2 spacious bedrooms plus loft, and 2.5 baths. Maintenance free vinyl siding, central air, central vac, sprinkler system. Close to route 125. A new listing by Mary Gilmartin! **$249,900**



ANDOVER - Charming 8 room Victorian, renovated inside and out is ready for quick close! High ceilings, large windows, sunny southern exposure. Cherry kitchen, 2.5 baths, solid barn with finished room (18 x 15) on second level. Prime historic location overlooking village. Mature perennial garden and level yard. Walk to South School and train. **$424900**



ANDOVER - Sun filled Contemporary for today's modern family. Vaulted ceilings and hardwood floors accent this home. Fireplaced living room, 4 bedrooms, and great family room (adjoins game room) provide lots of space. A solarium awaits with hot tub! Located on wooded cul-de-sac close to town. VRM 35 Seller to consider offer in range **$299,000 - $338,876.**



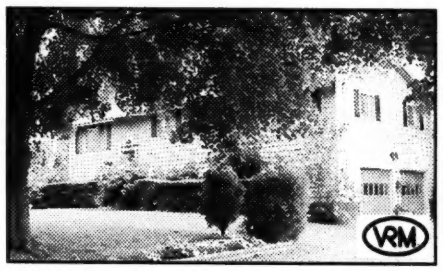
ANDOVER - Beautiful two family in Bancroft Elementary and Doherty Middle School districts! Second floor unit has potential for several additional rooms on third level. Walk to town, shopping and more. Young heating systems, two car garage, and storage area. **$299,900**



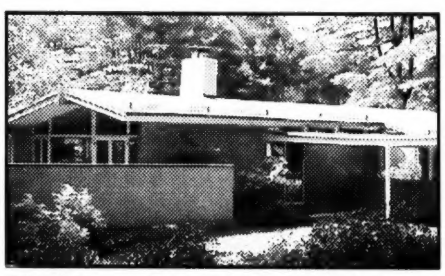
NORTH ANDOVER - Pristine 2 level Townhouse at Village Green. this unit has 6 rooms, including 3 bedrooms on second level. Lovely first floor living room with bow window. Close to major highways and shopping. Low fee includes heat, hot water & maintenance. **$146,000**



ANDOVER - Stately 10 room, 4 bedroom, brick front Colonial with circular drive in Andover Country Club Estates. Elegant foyer with curved staircase, plus front to back fireplaced living room. French doors lead to quiet sitting area. Big eat-in kitchen, cherry cabinets and center island. Family room features a double faced fireplace and skylights. Private rear yard with 3 tiered deck. **$639,000**



ANDOVER - Light and bright 9 room Split Entry in great location. Newer oak cabinets and skylight in kitchen. Hardwood floors on main level, 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Close to town and award winning Sanborn School.VRM 35 Seller to consider offers in range **$299,000 - 338,876.**



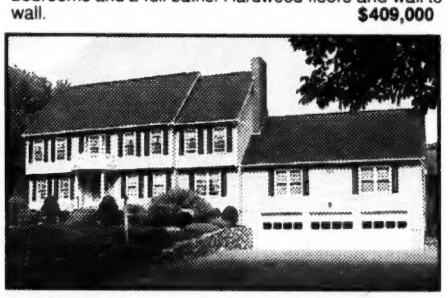
ANDOVER - A *Hugh Stubbins* designed 6 room, Contemporary with quality and built-ins throughout. Floor to ceiling glass in living room overlooks beautifully groomed patio. Great corner lot with wonderful plantings, and screened porch to enjoy the outdoors. 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths. Hardwood floors and wall to wall. **$409,000**



ANDOVER - *The Benjamin Abbot homestead* is as beautiful and picturesque an old New England farmhouse as can be found anywhere. Period details throughout, 9 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 5 fireplaces, paneled walls, chamfered beams, and wide pine floors. The garage/barn with loft is ideal for exercise room or workshop. This property is on the ***National Register of Historic Places.*** VRM 40. Seller to consider offers in range **$399,000 - $458,876.**



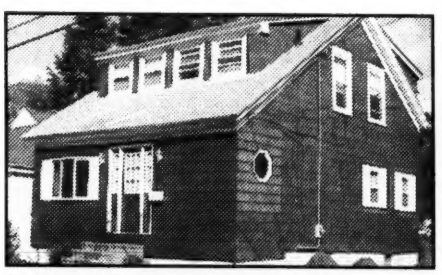
NORTH ANDOVER - Enjoy the view of Lake Cochichewick from your master suite's private deck. Modern living at it's best in this spectacular Contemporary. Magnificent great room, two story open foyer, multi media/computer room, a dream kitchen including a breakfast area with atrium door to deck. Beautifully sited on over an acre of lush nature, enjoy the heated gunite pool, spa and 3 decks! **$739,900**



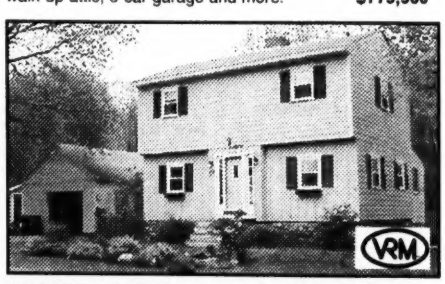
ANDOVER - Custom quality and character in one of Andover's finest locations! This magnificent 9 room, 4 bedroom Colonial is set on over an acre of landscaped grounds. French doors, recessed lighting, handmade cabinetry, and beautiful millwork accent this home. The master bedroom suite includes a dressing room,fireplace and master bath. Fireplaced family room and a great room full of windows showcase endless quality. Full basement, walk-up attic, 3 car garage and more. **$779,900**



ANDOVER - New Construction! Fine new homes just 2 miles from the center of town. Don't miss this limited opportunity to select from acre plus sites in a delightful, six lot, cul-de-sac. Several floor plans to choose from with 3400 sq. ft. to 3800 sq. ft. options. Exceptional features include granite counter tops, custom cherry cabinetry, central air, gas heat, and more! **Prices start at $639,900.**



NORTH ANDOVER - Cute Cape style home located on quiet street just waiting for your touch. Large updated country kitchen, newer tiled baths, all-new replacement windows, newer Well-McLean furnace. Plans available for potential expansion. **$174,000**



ANDOVER - Enjoy the ease of in-town living! Traditional home has open feel with two front to back bedrooms and possible third. Other features include oak kitchen with tile floor, front to back living room, enclosed sun porch and detached garage. VRM 31 Seller to consider offer in range **$234,900 - $269,876.**

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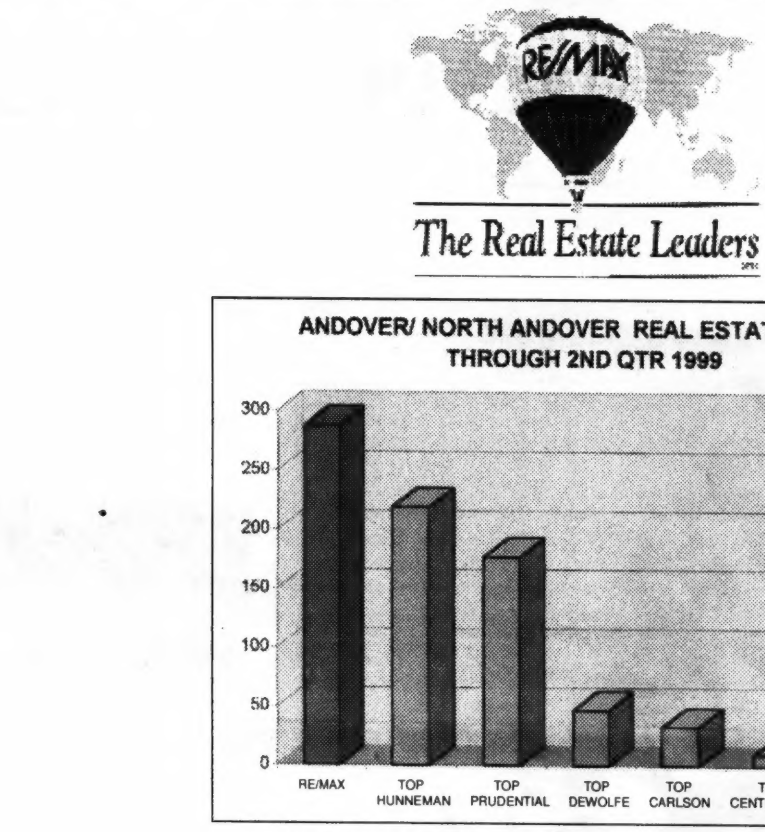

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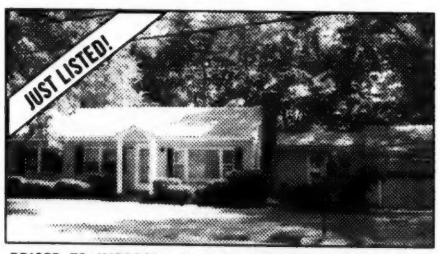
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OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS. Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial on a quiet cul-de-sac, with town sewer and gas heat, awaits the individual who wants to create their dream home with TLC and updating. It is located in the desirable Sanborn School district and offers easy access to town and highways.**$299,900**
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5 BEDROOM CLASSIC CAPE COD on quiet circle street close to town, schools and commuter routes. Numerous updates include a brand new kitchen, roof, heating system, painting inside and outside plus new private backyard and professional landscaping. Fantastic opportunity!**$359,900**
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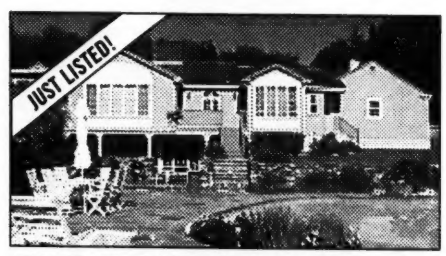
AWARD WINNING Handsome hip roof 7/3/3 stone entry Colonial. Spectacular living room features marble gas fireplace, gourmet custom kitchen and extras too numerous to list.**$459,900**
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SING OUT WITH THE OLD AND IN WITH THE NEW as you welcome the new millennium in this gracious Queen Anne Victorian in the Phillips Academy area. The look of the 19th century on the outside belies the totally updated interior complete with four bedrooms, two and one half baths, family room, eat-in kitchen and so much more. Exquisite at only**$489,900**
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FOR YOUR ENTERTAINING STYLE! Magnificent sprawling Ranch located in the Phillips Academy/Pike School area! Open, flowing floor plan includes formal living room, banquet sized dining room, gourmet kitchen filled with appliances, family room, sunroom and 3 large bedrooms including the master with private bath. Lower level is completely finished with 2nd kitchen, family room, bedroom and bath – The perfect setting for entertaining!**$699,900**
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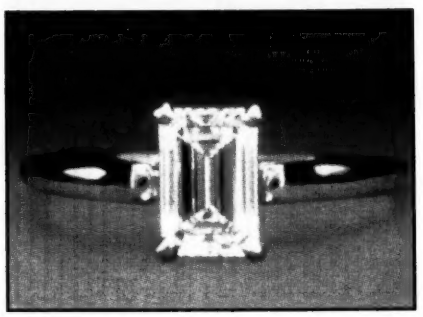
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